### CENTER FOR NUCLEAR WASTE REGULATORY ANALYSIS

#### MEETING REPORT February 18-21, 1991

SUBJECTS:

- Lecture by Larry McKague re. new sedimentary nomenclature and drill holes at Yucca Mountain, NV. February 19th.
- Technical Exchange meeting on NRC's proposed Staff Technical Position (STP), Investigations to Identify Fault Displacement and Seismic Hazards at a Geologic Repository.
- Discussion of the Probabilistic Seismic Hazards Analysis Work Plan, prepared by CNWRA, with Phil Justus and Buck Ibrahim of the NRC. February 19th and 20th.

DATE AND PLACE:

February 19 and 20, 1991 - NRC/White Flint

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Others - see attached list of attendees

### BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE:

P. Justus and A. Ibrahim of NRC telephoned on 17 January 1991, requesting that Renner Hofmann of CNWRA attend a DOE/NRC technical exchange meeting at the NRC White Flint offices to proved them with seismic expertise as needed. Dr Larry McKague of day regarding Yucca Mountain geologic issues. On February 19th accepted a Technical Direction 1.1/1-91 for attendance at, and participation in, the technical exchange. In addition, this trip report documents activities accomplished under

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426.1 WM-11 NH 15 Technical Direction 1.2/1-91 which was a presentation by the Centers consultant. CNWRA had previously forwarded a Work Plan for prohabilistic seismic hazard analysis to the NRC. NRC staff desired a discussion which was accomplished on the trip.

#### SUMMARY OF PERTINENT POINTS:

- 1. On the 19th, Renner Hofmann and Gerry Stirewalt attended Larry McKague's lecture regarding USGS' stratigraphic nomenclature for Yucca Mountain. Dr. McKague also disc and existing and planned boreholes for the Yucca Mountain repository site and existing and anticipated well logs.
- 2. On the 20th, Hofmann and Stirewalt attended the DOE/NRC technical exchange meeting. The meeting was attended by many from various concerned organizations including the State of Nevada, the TRB, the ANCW, USGS and EEI. A list of attendees and materials distributed at the technical exchange are attached to this report

The meeting topic was a presentation by the NRC of its new draft Staff Technical Position (STP) and comments by others concerning its provisions. This STP was derived from a previous STP regarding seismic hazards which also included analysis guidelines. Commentary on the original STP was varied and contentious. Consequently the NRC decided to split the STP, issue only the required investigations portion and add investigations required for fault displacement. NRC desired input from CNWRA concerning PSHA before issuing a second STP concerning analysis of fault displacement and seismic risk.

The concept of two STPs was not well received. All who commented preferred an STP with both investigation and analysis. In this way they could comment on the appropriateness of the investigations to provide data for the analysis. The State of Nevada argued that the STP being presented was sufficiently different from the one previously reviewed that it should again go out for public comment. A DOE representative stated that DOE would prefer that the four STPs (also including tectonic models and repository engineering) be provided in a single package. NRC management agreed to put the new STP up for public comment and take details of comments by attendees under advisement.

Other comments were expressions that the new term "susceptible fault", as far as Yucca Mountain was concerned, meant all faults, and therefore served no useful purpose. The 200 mile radius for fault and earthquake investigations was argued by DOE to be too large. DOE stated that the NRC criteria for the 200 mile radius was in error - that 0.1 g was observed at only a 100 km radius from large Western U.S. earthquakes, not 200 miles (although arguments could be made to the contrary). Further, they pointed out that the 200 mile radius took in portions of the San Andreas fault system but that earthquakes on this fault would not affect the repository site in excess of 0.1g. Investigating the San Andreas, however would greatly increase the amount of geological work required to characterize the

repository.

DOE pointed out NRC's requirement that a fault must have a date of most recent movement earlier than 2,000,000 years, to eliminate it from characterization studies. They noted that the requirement could not be met at Yucca Mountain because Quaternary sediments extend only to 1.3 million years before present. Consequently the NRC definition would preclude use of undisturbed Quaternary sediments as criteria that a fault need not be considered for further study.

EEI (presented by Jay Smith, their consultant) preferred the guidance be in the form of a regulation, e.g. an "Appendix A" for Part 60 to eliminate legal arguments that would arise with an STP. Others objected to implementing an "Appendix A" type approach and pointed out that NRR had started a project to rewrite 10 CFR 100 Appendix A to eliminate its restrictive terms.

Phil Justus indicated that there was an increased priority for CNWRA's preparation of a technical basis for a probabilistic fault displacement and seismic hazard analysis STP.

 Discussions were held on both the 19th (briefly) and the 20th concerning the Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis (PSHA) Work Plan. About 3 hours were spent by Renner Hofmann, Gerry Stirewalt, Philip Justus and Buck Ibrahim in discussions of the Work Plan.

#### IMPRESSIONS/CONCLUSIONS:

Funds available probably are not adequate to provide the in-depth research desired as a technical basis for the combined STP recommended by those attending the meeting. This thought was expressed by CNWRA staff. However, broad topics could be addressed to the extent that funds were available. NRC staff stated that they had a better idea of the work plan's concepts, following our discussions, but expressed a need for more technical details of the proposed work. It appears that those attending the technical exchange meeting believe that the problems they enumerated regarding the STP for investigations, should be reconciled and intimated that supporting technical bases for NRCs guidance should be presented with the STP. This suggests that a substantial amount of work remains before a combined STP can be successfully maneuvered through the comment and approval process.

#### PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED:

A more thorough investigation appears to be required than NRC has requested that CNWRA undertake, regarding these issues. The problem is further compounded by the departure of the NRC's DNLWM seismologist, Dr. Blackford and the impending departure of their geologist, Keith McConnell, for a year of management training in the form of rotating assignments to other NRC facilities.

PENDING ACTIONS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS: None

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#### AGENDA

NRC-DOE TECHNICAL EXCHANGE ON DRAFT FINAL NRC STAFF TECHNICAL POSITION (STP) ON INVESTIGATIONS TO IDENTIFY FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARDS AT A GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY

February 20, 1991 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
One White Flint North
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland 20852
Room 6B11

PURPOSE: To discuss NRC's draft final STP on investigations to identify fault

displacement and seismic hazards at a geologic repository. In addition, NRC will brief DOE on the staff's strategy for tectonics

guidance.

Final Remarks

SCOPE:

In presenting its draft final STP, NRC will discuss how it has responded to the comments received on the earlier draft technical position. NRC will in particular explain how this STP and other work under development in its tectonics guidance program will address the need for guidance in the areas identified by DOE.

AGEN	Opening Remarks	DISCUSSION LEADER NRC, DOE, NV
۰	NRC Strategy for Tectonics Guidance (30 minutes) Discussion	NRC All
0	Draft Final STP (90 minutes) - Introduction - Faulting - Seismic Hazards	NRC
	NRC Staff Resolution of Public Comments (30 minutes)	A11 NRC
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# STAFF TECHNICAL POSITION ON INVESTIGATIONS TO IDENTIFY FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARDS AT A GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY



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# CHRONOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT OF STP ON FAULTING/SEISMIC HAZARD INVESTIGATIONS

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AUGUST 1989

DOE/NRC TECHNICAL EXCHANGE ON DRAFT
TP ON METHODS OF EVALUATING THE
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DOE/NRC TECHNICAL EXCHANGE ON STP ON INVESTIGATIONS TO IDENTIFY FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARD AT A GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY

FEBRUARY 20, 1991

#### PRINCIPAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TP AND STP

#### DRAFT TP

- HAZARD
- 10 CFR PART 100, EXPERIENCE APPENDIX A

#### STP

- EMPHASIZED SEISMIC
   BOTH FAULTING AND SEISMIC HAZARD
- APPEARS TO REQUIRE
   DRAWS FROM APPENDIX A

#### **OBJECTIVES OF STP**

 PROVIDE ACCEPTABLE APPROACHES TO INVESTIGATIONS FOR COLLECTION OF SUFFICIENT DATA FOR INPUT TO FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARD ANALYSES FOR PRECLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

#### STP DOES NOT ADDRESS

- METHODS OF HAZARD ANALYSES
- ANTICIPATED AND UNANTICIPATED PROCESSES AND EVENTS
- EFFECTS ON GROUNDWATER
- RELATION TO VOLCANISM

# STRATEGY FOR TECTONICS GUIDANCE ON FAULTING AND SEISMIC HAZARDS, TECTONIC MODELS AND APPLICATION TO DESIGN



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#### **OBJECTIVES OF DHLWM GUIDANCE**

HELP ENSURE DOE'S PROGRAM IS SUFFICIENT TO

- IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS LICENSING ISSUES EARLY
- PROVIDE APPROPRIATE INPUT TO ASSESSMENTS
- PROVIDE BASELINE DATA
- DEVELOP COMPLETE LICENSE APPLICATION

## REGULATIONS REQUIRING ASSESSMENT OF TECTONICS 10 CFR PART 60

SITING CRITERIA (60.122)

DESIGN CRITERIA (60.130-135)

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (60.111-113)

40 CFR PART 191 (CONFORMED) (60.112)

TECHNICAL ASSESSMENTS (60.21)

PERFORMANCE CONFIRMATION (60.140-141)

#### SELECTION OF TECTONICS GUIDANCE TOPICS

- INPUT
  - STAFF EVALUATION OF REGULATIONS
  - STAFF EVALUATION OF DOE'S PROGRAM
  - DOE'S REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE
- OUTPUT
  - FAULTING HAZARD
  - SEISMIC HAZARD
  - TECTONIC MODELS
  - APPLICATION TO DESIGN

#### TOPICS FOR WHICH TECTONICS GUIDANCE IS BEING DEVELOPED

- 1. INVESTIGATION OF FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARDS [TOPIC FOR TODAY'S TECHNICAL EXCHANGE]
- 2. ANALYSIS OF FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARDS
- 3. USE OF TECTONIC MODELS

#### TOPIC UNDER CONSIDERATION

4. APPLICATION OF FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARD TO REPOSITORY DESIGN

### 1. STP - INVESTIGATIONS OF FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARDS [TOPIC FOR TODAY'S TECHNICAL EXCHANGE]

#### SCOPE OF STP

- Methodology to Identify Fault Displacement and Seismic Sources
- Methodology to Identify Faults Susceptible to Displacement
- Response to DOE Request for Guidance

#### PRINCIPAL PART 60 REQUIREMENTS

-60.21(c)(1)(ii) Analysis of Geology and Geophysics

-60.122(A)(2) Adequate Investigation

-60.131(b)(1) Protect SSCIS Against Natural Phenomena

#### STATUS

- Final STP FY91 (4th Qtr)

### 2. STP - ANALYSES OF FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARDS

#### SCOPE OF STP

- Acceptable Analysis Methodology
- Response to DOE's Request for Guldance
- Deterministic Supplemented by Probabilistic
- Consider Issue of Setback

#### PRINCIPAL PART 60 REQUIREMENTS

- -60.112 Meet EPA Standard
- -60.113 Meet Subsystem Performance Objectives
- -60.122(a)(2) Analyses Not to Underestimate Effects
- -60.131(b)(1) Maintain Safety Functions

#### STATUS

- Draft for Public Comment FY92

#### 3. STP - USE OF TECTONIC MODELS

#### SCOPE OF STP

- Acceptable Approaches for Supporting & Implementing Predictive Models
- Response to DOE's Request for Guidance

#### PRINCIPAL PART 60 REQUIREMENTS

-60.21(c)(1)(ii)(F) Explain Support for Models

#### STATUS

- Final FY92

# GUIDANCE ON APPLICATION OF FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARDS TO DESIGN

#### SCOPE UNDER CONSIDERATION

- Acceptable Methods of Compilance With Design Criterion - 60.131(b)(1)
- Acceptable Methods of Compliance With Certain Portions of 60.113(A), (B)

#### PRINCIPAL PART 60 REQUIREMENTS

-60.21(c)(3)	Analysis of Design
-60.111	Preclosure Protection From Releases
-60.131(a)	General Design Criteria for GROA
-60.131(b)(1)	Maintain Essential Safety Functions
-60.113(A),(B)	Maintain Essential Safety Functions

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#### FAULT DISPLACEMENT HAZARD INVESTIGATIONS



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## FAULT DISPLACEMENT HAZARD INVESTIGATIONS (OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION)

- 1. NEED FOR THE POSITION
- 2. DEFINITION OF 'SUSCEPTIBLE' FAULT
- 3. WHAT THE CONCEPT PROVIDES
- 4. WHAT THE CONCEPT DOES NOT NECESSITATE

TECHNICAL POSITION ON

METHODS OF EVALUATING THE SEISMIC HAZARD

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#### TECHNICAL POSITION ON

#### METHODS OF EVALUATING THE SEISMIC HAZARD PRESENT

#### AT A GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY

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#### 1: INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Technical Position (TP) is to provide regulatory guidance to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) on appropriate methodologies that address seismic hazard at a geologic repository. This paper considers the seismic hazard for the construction and operation period through permanent closure ("preclosure"), and the period following permanent closure ("postclosure"). This position also considers differences that may exist, during the preclosure, among the surface facilities and the underground facility. The applicability of existing methodologies for establishing the seismic basis for the determination of the maximum vibratory ground motion at a geologic repository is discussed. This position does not address probabilistic seismic hazard analysis nor does it address the interpretation or anticipated and unanticipated processes and events, which are being addressed in other technical positions and potential rulemakings. The term seismic hazard, as

ground motion or coseismic faulting, or both, that can affect the design and performance of the geologic repository.

TPs are issued to describe and make available to the public criteria for methods acceptable to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff for implementing specific parts of the Commission's regulations, or to provide guidance to DOE. TPs are not substitutes for regulations and compliance with them is not required. They suggest one approach which is acceptable to the NRC staff for meeting regulatory requirements. Methods and solutions different from those set out in the position will be acceptable if they provide a basis for the findings requisite to the issuance or continuance of a permit or license by the Commission. A glossary of selected technical terms used in this paper may be found in Appendix A of this paper.

#### 2. REGULATORY BACKGROUND

#### 2.1 Regulations concerning Seismic Hazard

The regulatory background section of this TP outlines the significant elements of Title 10, Chapter I of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) that contain provisions for protection ' = seismic hazard. The elements of 10 CFR that will be discussed >-e: 10 CFP Part 50, Appendix A, "General Design Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants" (see Ref. 1); 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A, "Seismic and Geologic Siting Cr. clear Power Plants" (see Ref. 2): 10 CFR Part

72, "Licensing Requirements for the Storage of Spent Fuel in an Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI)" (see Ref. 3); 10 CFR Part 40, Appendix A, "Criteria Relating to the Operation of Uranium Mills and the Disposition of Tailings or Wastes Produced by the Extraction or Concentration of Source Material from Ores Processed Primarily for Their Source Material Content" (see Ref. 4); and 10 CFR Part 60, "Disposal of High-Level Radioactive Waste in Geologic Repositories" (see Ref. 5). With the exception of 10 CFR 100, Appendix A, the relevant text from the aforementioned parts of 10 CFR can be found in Appendix B of this paper. An outline of 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A is found in Appendix C of this paper.

#### 2.2 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix A

Early in the development of the use of nuclear material, it was generally recognized that special provisions would be needed in order to provide reasonable assurance that these materials could be used without undue hazard to the public health and safety. With regard to seismic hazard, these provisions were first embodied in Criterian 2 of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix A, "Design bases for protection against natural phenomena." Criterion 2 generally requires that structures, systems, and components important to safety be designed so that their safety functions are preserved under the impact of the most severe adverse natural phenomena.

#### 2.3 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A

Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100, hereafter referred to as Part 100, Appendix A, is the most comprehensive of the NRC regulations dealing with seismic and geologic criteria. Part 100, Appendix A, which was initially included in the Commission regulations in 1973, provides more specific regulatory guidance for the siting of nuclear power plants than 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix A. Although the guidance is primarily directed toward an assessment of hazards due to vibratory ground motion and surface faulting, it also includes guidance on floods, water waves, and other related natural hazards. Part 100, Appendix A describes three aspects of seismic and geologic hazard evaluation: 1) the required investigations; 2) the development of seismic and geologic design bases; and 3) the application of these bases to engineering design.

#### 2.4 10 CFR Part -72 and 10 CFR Part 40, Appendix A

Following its issuance, Part 100, Appendix A came to be relied on during the promulgation of regulations addressing seismic hazard for nuclear facilities other than nuclear power plants. This reliance on Part 100, Appendix A sets an important precedent that needs to be considered when new types of nuclear facilities that require seismic hazard review are considered for licensing. 10 fact 12 and 10 CFF fact 40, Appendix A are examples of such regulations that refer to Part 100, Appendix A.

The evaluation of geological and seismological characteristics of acceptable sites for independent spent fuel storage installations (ISFSIs), described in Section 72.66 of 10 CFR Part 72, defers to the techniques of 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A, for sites west of the Rocky Mountain Front and other areas of potential seismic activity. Criterion 4(e) of the technical criteria of 10 CFR Part 40, Appendix A discusses the siting of impoundment structures for uranium mill tailings, with respect to capable faults as defined in 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A.

#### 2.5 10 CFR Part 60

In contrast to the aforementioned examples given for other nuclear facilities, 10 CFR Part 60 does not specifically rely on Part 100, Appendix A for guidance regarding provisions for dealing with the seismic hazard nor does it specifically require the development of a design basis earthquake. Instead, the performance objectives and siting and design criteria described in 10 CFR Part 60 establish the bases for considering seismic hazard for both the preclosure and the postclosure periods. According to Section 60.111, during the preclosure period, the geologic repository operations area is to be designed to provide protection against radiation exposures and releases of radioactive material in accordance with standards set forth in 10 CFR Part 20 (see Ref. 6) and standards established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 40 CFR Part 191 (see Ref. 7). Also, during the preclosure period, the geologic repository operations area is to be designed so that the

option to retrieve the emplaced radioactive waste is preserved. The criterion set forth in Subsection 60.131(b)(1), which requires that facilities important to safety in the geologic repository operations area be designed so that natural phenomena do not interfere with their safety functions, forms the basis for evaluating the preclosure seismic hazard.

The overall performance objective presented in Section 60.112 requires that the geologic setting, the engineered barrier system, shafts and any boreholes and their seals be designed to limit the release of radioactive materials to the accessible environment in accordance with standards established by EPA. Section 60.113 provides specific performance requirements for both the engineered barrier system and the geologic setting. The seismic hazard associated with the engineered barrier system, as well as the overall system, is to be evaluated in accordance with the appropriate siting criteria of Subsection 60.122(c).

The evaluations performed, using the aforementioned postclosure and preclosure criteria, are necessary in order to satisfy the required input to the Safety Analysis Report (SAR) described in Subsections 60.21(1)(ii)(B) and (C) and Subsection 60.21(c)(3), respectively. It is expected that much of the information gathered to support the seismic hazard evaluation required by Subsection 60.131(b)(1) for the preclosure period can also be used to support the postclosure seismic hazard evaluation.

#### 3. TECHNICAL POSITION

It is the NRC staff's position that the methodologies prescribed in Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100 for investigating seismic and related faulting phenomena. for determining the need to design for surface faulting, and for establishing the seismic basis for the determination of the maximum vibratory ground motion at a site are considered to be appropriate for addressing preclosure and postclosure seismic and faulting hazards at a geologic repository operations area. Further, it is the position of the staff that the results of Part 100, Appendix A investigations can generally provide input for probabilistic and other methods of assessing seismic and faulting hazards for the postclosure period. The NRC staff will rely on the principles espoused in Part 100, Appendix A, in its review of the appropriate sections related to seismic investigations in the SAR, which forms a major portion of the license application for a repository. In particular, the NRC staff will review those sections of the SAR addressing Subsections 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(B) and (C) and Subsection 60.21(c)(3) of 10 CFR Part 60, in the light of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100. In addition, the methodology outlined in this Technical Position can be used in developing seismic and geologic bases for earthquaire design criteria pertinent to Subsection 60.131(b)(1) of 10 CFR Part 60 and in assisting in demonstrating compliance with Sections 60.111, 60.112, and 60.113.

#### 4. DISCUSSION

#### 4.1 Seismic Hazard before and after Permanent Closure

Two very different timeframes are addressed with regard to the performance of a geologic repository. The first is the initial period of about one-hundred years, during which time nuclear material will be received and emplaced in the repository and the option to retrieve the nuclear material must be preserved. This "operational period" is comparable to the operational periods of other nuclear facilities. The second period of time is that following the permanent closure of the repository, during which time engineered and natural barriers must isolate the nuclear material from the accessible environment. In accordance with standards established by EPA. The surface facilities necessary during the operational period will not remain in the postclosure period. Since the repository location remains unchanged, the data that can be acquired to allow an estimation of the expected seismic hazard will be similar for both periods.

#### 4.2 Other Nuclear Waste Facilities

for the preclosure record. Is reasonable to consider the way seismic hazard is treated at other nuclear maste facilities. One type of facility is the ISFSI, which is regulated under 10 CFR Part 72. Subsection 72.66(a)(2), which addresses massive would air-cooled canyon types of ISFSI structures.

states, "West of the Rocky Monitain Front (west of approximately 104° west longitude), and in other areas of known potential seismic activity, seismicity will be evaluated by the techniques of Appendix A of Part 100 of this chapter [10]." Subsection 72.66(a)(6)(i) goes on to to state, "For sites that have been evaluated under the criteria of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100, the ISFSI-DE [ISFSI design earthquake] shall be equivalent to the safe shutdown earthquake (SSE) for a nuclear power plant." It is important to consider the guidance given for the ISFSI, because NRC has used this guidance to evaluate the DOE proposal for the Monitored Retrievab a Storage (MRS) facility. The MRS activity is similar to the surface facilities of a geological repository operations area. Clearly, this presents a strong argument for following a similar path for evaluating the seismic hazard at a geologic repository, at least for the preclosure surface facilities.

Impoundment structures built to contain the tailings and wastes from a uranium mill constitute a second type of facility for which regulatory language exists regarding seismic hazard evaluation. In Section I, "Technical Criteria," of 10 CFP Part 40, Appendix A, Criterion 4(e) states, "The impoundment may not be located near a capable fault that could cause a maximum credible earthquake larger than that which the impoundment could reasonably be expected to withstand. As used in this criterion, the term 'capable fault' has the same meaning as defined in Section III(g) of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100. The term 'maximum credible earthquake' means that earthquake which would cause the maximum vibratory ground motion based upon an evaluation of earthquake

potential considering the regional and local geology and seismology and specific characteristics of local subsurface material." Although this type of facility is not necessarily similar to a geologic repository, it does demonstrate that the NRC staff considers Appendix A of 30 CFR Part 100 to be applicable to nuclear fullities other than power plants.

### 4.3 Consideration of Part 100, Appendi A

A primary reason for taking the position that Part 100, Appendix A is an appropriate methodology for investigating the seismic hazard at a geologic repository is that much of the technology presented in Part 100, Appendix A is remark in nature. This is particularly true for the required investigations described in Section IV of Part 100, Appendix A. The following is a summary of these required investigations.

### 4.3.1 Part 100, \* Pendix F, Required Investigations

The types of investigations required by Part 100, Appendix A for both vibratory ground motion and surface faulting investigations are:

determination of the lithologic, stratigraphic, hydrologic, and structural seriogic condition: if the site and the region surrounding the site, including its geologic history;

- 2) identification and evaluation of tectonic structures underlying the site and the region surrounding the site, whether buried or expressed at the surface, including, in particular, consideration of a possible effects caused by man's activities, such as withdrawal of rivid from or addition of fluid to the subsurface, extraction of minerals, or the loading effects of dams or reservoirs;
- 3) listing of all historically reported earthquakes, including appropriate parametric data that describe time, location and earthquake size: in particular, for investigations for vibratory ground motion, and compilation of any additional information on the nature of strong ground motion, and affects of local-site materials on seismic wave transmission;
- 4) determination of capable faults:
- for a capable fault, a listing of the length of the fault, its relationship to regional tectonic structures, and the nature, amount, and geologic history of displacements along the fault, including, particularly, the estimated amount of the maximum Quaternary displacement related to any one earthquake along the fault; and
- 6) correlation of earthquakes, where possible, with capable faults or tectonic structures or, at least in the case of vibrator, ground motion

investigations, with tectonic provinces, when specific structures cannot be identified.

The types of investigations required by Part : 10, Appendix A specifically for vibratory ground motion investigation are:

- evaluation of physical evidence on the behavior, during prior earthquakes, of the surficial geologic materials and the substrata underlying the site, considering the information acquired from the lithologic, stratigraphic, and structural geologic studies; and
- 2) determination of the static and dynamic engineering properties of the materials underlying the site, including properties needed to determine the behavior of the underlying material during earthquakes and the characteristics of the underlying material in transmitting earthquakeinduced motion.

A specific investigation required by Part 100, Appendix A for surface faulting is the determination of geologic evidence of fault offset at or near the ground surface, at or near the site.

For some of the investigations summarized above, Section IV of Part 100,

Appendix A establishes specific limits on the extent of the investigations.

For vibratory ground motion, investigations are generally limited to ranges

that are within 200 miles of the site. For surface faulting, investigations are also generally limited to faults greater than 1000 feet in length that are within five miles of the site. Additional guidance is provided in Section IV, through footnotes, that makes it unnecessary to investigate features more remote from a site if it can be shown that features closer to the site will control the design basis.

### 4.3.2 Part 100, Appendix A, Seismic and Geologic Base. Development

Using information gathered from the vibratory ground motion investigations, Section V of Part 100, Appendix A describes specific procedures for establishing the seismic and geologic bases for developing design criteria related to earthquake protection. Section V(a) of Part 100, Appendix A states, "The design basis for the maximum vibratory ground motion and the expected vibratory ground motion should be determined through evaluation of the seismology, geology, and the seismic and geologic history of the site and surrounding region." Section V(a)(1) then prescribes a set of specific steps to take in evaluating the data gathered through the required investigations, to arrive at the earthquake that produces the maximum vibratory acceleration at the site above a threshold of 0.1g. This earthquake is termed the Safe Shutdown Earthquake (SSE). These basic procedures form the framework for establishing the seismic basis for determination of the maximum vibratory motion at any site at relevant times and are therefore considered to be appropriate to a geologic repository.

Section V(a)(2) addresses the determination of an Operating Basis Earthquake (OBE). In contrast to a nuclear power plant, a geologic repository is not likely to have components possessing high energy driving forces capable of broadly dispersing the contained radioactivity. Even with a gross failure of those components of a repository involved in containment, a loss of containment integrity would not be as likely to have as significant a consequence for public health and safety as a nuclear power plant, because the systems would be passive. Consideration should also be given to the safety of ensite personnel in recovering from such a gross failure. Since an OBE is intended to provide the basis for regulating those features of a nuclear power plant necessary for continued operation without undue risk to the health and safety of the public, and since those features are not likely to be incorporated into a geologic repository, the OBE will not be given further consideration in this discussion.

Section V(b) of Part 100, Appendix A discusses the need to design for surface faulting. This section prescribes specific guidelines to follow in order to make this determination. For a geologic repository, it is necessary to consider these specific guidelines in light of the consequences of faulting. First, any guidelines for surface faulting should be considered applicable to the underground facility of a geologic repository as well, since it is very unlikely that a fau that returns the surface above the underground facility would not also create a rupper within the underground facility. Second, any faults discovered within the perimeter of the underground facility, through drifting or other means the site characterization, that cannot be associated

with surface faults, require special investigation similar to surface faults. Finally, faulting in a geologic repository can affect the integrity of the facilities important to safety at the surface, the integrity of the waste canisters in the underground facility, and the retrievability of the radioactive waste. Thus, the values used in the specific guidelines of Section V(b) need to be examined, but the basic principle, that is, the determination of a need to design for faulting, remains unchanged.

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APPENDIX A

GLOSSARY

As used in this guidance:

"Accessible environment" means: (1) the atmosphere, (2) land surface, (3) surface water, (4) oceans, and (5) the lithosphere that is outside the committed area. (10 CFR 60)

"Anticipated operational occurrences" mean those conditions of normal operation which are expected to occur one or more times during the life of the geologic repository operations area and to include the loss of functionality of structures, systems, or components within the regulatory safety limits. (Based on 10 CFR 50, Appendix A; "geologic repository operations area" has been substituted for "nuc ear power unit" and "the loss of functionality ... safety limits" has been substituted for "but are not limited to loss of power to all recirculation pumps, tripping of turbine generator set, isolation of main condenser, and loss of all offsite power.")

"Anticipated processes and events" means those natural processes and events that are reasonably likely to occur during the period the intended performance objective must be achieved. To the extent reasonable in the light of the geologic record, it shall be assume: "" those processes operating in

the geologic setting during the Quaternary Period continue to operate but with perturbations caused by the presence of emplaced radioactive waste superimposed thereon. (10 CFR 60)

"Barrier" means any material or structure that prevents or substantially delays movement of water or radionuclides. (10 CFR 60)

A "capable fault" is a fault which has exhibited one or more of the following characteristics:

- (1) Movement at or near the ground surface at least once within the past 35,000 years or movement of a recurring nature within the past 500,000 years.
- (2) Macro-seismicity instrumentally determined with records of sufficient precision to demonstrate a direct relationship with the fault.
- (3) A structural relationship to a capable fault according to characteristics (1) or (2) of this paragraph, such that movement on one could be reasonably expected to be accompanied by movement on the other.

In some cases, the geologic evidence of past activity at or near the ground surface along a particular fault may be obscured at a particular site. This might occur, for example, at a site having deep overburden. For these cases, evidence may exist \*!sewhere \*!ong the fault from which an evaluation of its characteristics in the victor of the site can be reasonably established.

Such evidence shall be used in determining whether the fault is a capable fault within this definit

# THE CONCEPT OF 'SUSCEPTIBLE' FAULT IS INTRODUCED TO:

- 1. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PAST REGULATORY EXPERIENCE IN USING EXPLICIT CRITERIA FOR IDENTIFYING FAULT HAZARDS:
- 2. OUTLINE THE BASELINE INFORMATION RELATIVE TO FAULT INVESTIGATIONS UNDER CRITERIA LISTED IN 10CFR60.122(a)(2) AND 60.131(B)(1);
- 3. IDENTIFY THE ENTIRE QUATERNARY RECORD AS THE PERIOD OF GEOLOGIC TIME THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED:
- 4. INDICATE THAT FAULTS WITH AN UNCERTAIN QUATERNARY RECORD SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED:
- 5. FORM A UNIFORM BASIS FOR DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS.
- 6. ELIMINATE CONFUSION RESULTING FROM THE INTRODUCTION OF MULTIPLE TERMS FOR FAULTS OF SIGNIFICANCE (VIEWGRAPH 3A);
- 7. ADDRESS AMBIGUOUS AND POTENTIALLY INADEQUATE FAULT-RELATED CHARACTERIZATION PARAMETERS IN THE SCP (VIEWGRAPHS 3B AND 3C).

# TERMS USED TO DEFINE FAULTS OF SIGNIFICANCE TO A REPOSITORY

- 1. POTENTIALLY ACTIVE FAULT (DRAFT STUDY PLAN 8.3.1.17.4.6):
- 2. POTENTIALLY ACTIVE GEOLOGICAL STRUCTURES (DRAFT STUDY PLAN 8.3.1.17.4.6);
- SIGNIFICANT LATE QUATERNARY FAULTS (SCP; STUDY PLAN 8.3.1.17.4.2) (Slip-rate >0.001mm/yr over last 100ka);
- 4. LATE QUATERNARY FAULTS (STUDY PLAN 8.3.1.17.4.2) (7);
- POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT QUATERNARY FAULTS (CHARACTERIZATION PARAMETER - SCP) (Slip-rate >0.001mm/yr; or offset of materials less than 100ka);
- SIGNIFICANT QUATERNARY FAULTS (DESIGN PARAMETER SCP)
   (> 1m offset of Quaternary material; or > 100m offset of Tertiary rocks).

## AMIBIGUITIES IN THE APPLICATION OF "CHARACTERIZATION PARAMETERS"

- "A PHYSICAL PROPERTY OR CONDITION (EITHER MEASURABLE OR CALCULABLE) WHOSE VALUE IS TO BE DETERMINED IN THE SITE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO OBTAIN, COMPUTE, OR EVALUATE A PERFORMANCE PARAMETER FOR A DESIGN OR PERFORMANCE ISSUE" (SCP, 1988).
- "...A PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE OF FAULT SIGNIFICANCE." (SCA RESPONSE DOCUMENT)
- "...THE MINIMUM AMOUNT OF OFFSET FOR GIVEN AGE MATERIALS THAT THE FIELD INVESTIGATIONS SHOULD BE GEARED TO DETECT." (SCA RESPONSE DOCUMENT)

## EXAMPLES OF POTENTIALLY INADEQUATE CHARACTERIZATION PARAMETERS

### PRECLOSURE:

- Quaternary slip-rates of > 0.001 mm/yr or that measurably offset materials less than 100,000 yrs;
- Surface locations of faults in repository with > 1 m offset of Quaternary materials;

### POSTCLOSURE:

faults that penetrate the repository with total offset of
 10 m.

'SUSCEPTIBLE' FAULT:

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- 1. HAS HAD MOVEMENT WITHIN THE PAST TWO MILLION YEARS; OR
- 2. HAS SEISMICITY, INSTRUMENTALLY DETERMINED WITH RECORDS OF SUFFICIENT PRECISION, THAT SUGGESTS A DIRECT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FAULT; OR
- 3. IS ORIENTED SUCH THAT IT IS SUBJECT TO FAILURE IN THE EXISTING STRESS FIELD; OR
- 4. HAS A STRUCTURAL RELATIONSHIP (i.e., MOVEMENT ON ONE FAULT COULD CAUSE MOVEMENT ON ANOTHER) TO A FAULT THAT MEETS ONE OR MORE OF THE ABOVE CRITERIA.

# WHAT THE CONCEPT OF 'SUSCEPTIBLE' FAULT PROVIDES:

- 1. PARALLELISM WITH FAULT HAZARD CONCEPTS USED IN SITING AND LICENSING OTHER NUCLEAR FACILITIES;
- 2. SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING WHICH FAULTS ARE OF POTENTIAL IMPORTANCE Specific criteria for determining which "susceptible" faults need characterization;
- 3. A SINGLE SET OF IDENTIFICATION CRITERIA FOR PRE- AND POSTCLOSURE FAULT HAZARD ASSESSMENT;
- 4. CONFIRMS THE ENTIRE QUATERNARY PERIOD AS THAT PART OF GEOLOGIC TIME THAT MUST BE EXAMINED;
- FLEXIBILITY TO DOE TO DEMONSTRATE THAT CEPTAIN CLASSES
  OF 'SUSCEPTIBLE' FAULTS DO NOT NEED CHARACTERIZATION;
  (e.g., limiting characterization of faults outside
  of the controlled area);
- 6. BASIS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF "SETBACKS":
- 7. A CLEAR AND UNIFORM BASIS FOR PERFORMANCE ALLOCATION.

## WHAT THE CONCEPT OF 'SUSCEPTIBLE' FAULT DOES NOT NECESSITATE:

- 1. CONSIDERATION OF "CAPABLE" FAULTS FROM 10CFR100, APPENDIX A;
- 2. DETAILED CHARACTERIZATION OF ESSENTIALLY ALL FAULTS WITHIN THE SITE AREA. [STP DOES NECESSITATE THAT ALL FAULTS IN THE CONTROLLED AREA THAT ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO MOVEMENT BE CONSIDERED AND ADDRESSED];
- 3. SUSCEPTIBLE FAULT, AS USED IN THIS STP, IS NOT A SITE SUITABILITY TOOL.

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## VIBRATORY GROUND MOTION INVESTIGATIONS



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- 1. LIST ALL HISTORICALLY REPORTED SEISMIC EVENTS
  - · DATES, AND EPICENTER COORDINATES
  - . DEPTH, DISTANCE, AND ORIGIN TIME
  - MAGNITUDES OR HIGHEST INTENSITY
  - FOR EVENTS WITH ACCELERATION > .1G AT THE SITE,
     PROVIDE DURATION AND FREQUENCY CONTENT
  - SOURCE PARAMETERS (e.g., FOCAL MECHANISM, SEISMIC MOMENT, AND STRESS DROP)
  - PLOT THOSE EVENTS WITHIN 200 MILES
  - IDENTIFY WHETHER THE EVENT IS AN EARTHQUAKE, UNE. OR CAVITY COLLAPSE

- 2. CORRELATE EARTHQUAKE EPICENTERS WITH GEOLOGICAL STRUCTURES
  - IDENTIFY METHODS AND ACCURACY USED TO LOCATE EARTHQUAKES
  - PROVIDE RATIONALE FOR THOSE WHICH CANNOT BE ASSOCIATED
- 3. IDENTIFY GEOLOGIC STRUCTURES SIGNIFICANT FOR EARTHQUAKE POTENTIAL
  - BURIED OR EXPRESSED AT THE SURFACE
  - INDUCED BY LOADING

4. IDENTIFY FAULTS IMPORTANT FOR SEISMIC DESIGN BASIS

FAULT LENGTH
 TYPE OF FAULT

RUPTURE LENGTH
 SLIP RATE

RUPTURE AREA

5. DETERMINE ENGINEERING PROPERTIES OF MATERIALS UNDERLYING THE SITE

RESPONSE TO EARTHQUAKES
 DENSITY

SEISMIC WAVE VELOCITIES
 RIGIDITY

WATER TABLE ELEVATION
 POROSITY

- 6. DETERMINE REGIONAL ATTENUATION OF VIBRATORY GROUND MOTION
- 7. INVESTIGATE RELATION BETWEEN SURFACE AND SUBSURFACE GROUND MOTIONS
  - VARIATION IN HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL ACCELERATION
  - VARIATION IN FREQUENCY CONTENT

TECH EXCH - STP ON INVESTIGATION OF FAULT DISPLACEMENT & SEISMIC HAZARDS

### RESPONSE TO COMMENTS ON DRAFT TECHNICAL POSITION



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### COMMENTERS

- U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
- EDISON ELECTRIC INSTITUTE/UTILITY
   NUCLEAR WASTE & TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM
- STATE OF NEVADA

### CATEGORIES OF COMMENTS RECEIVED

- THOSE CONCERNING THE USE OF
   OFR PART 100, APPENDIX A
- THOSE DEALING WITH INVESTIGATIONS, ANALYSES, AND DESIGN

### NRC RESPONSE TO APPENDIX A COMMENTS

- STAFF DOES NOT ADVOCATE THE APPLICATION OR IMPLEMENTATION OF 10 CFR PART 100, APPENDIX A FOR REPOSITORY
- CURRENT STP NO LONGER DEFERS TO 10 CFR PART 100, APPENDIX A
- ANALYSES AND DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS REMOVED FROM CURRENT STP AND DEFERRED TO SUBSEQUENT GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS
- STAFF WILL PROVIDE AND WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION APPLICABLE DETERMINISTIC AND PROBABILISTIC APPROACHES FOR THE SEISMIC DESIGN OF THE REPOSITORY

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# NRC RESPONSE TO THE INVESTIGATIONS, ANALYSES, AND DESIGN COMMENTS

- RELEVANT COMMENTS DEALING WITH THE INVESTIGATIONS OF FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARDS ARE CONSIDERED AND ADDRESSED IN THIS STP
- A COMMENT RESOLUTION PACKAGE WILL BE PUBLISHED WITH THE FINAL STP
- COMMENTS DEALING WITH ANALYSES AND SEISMIC DESIGN WILL BE DEFERRED TO SUBSEQUENT GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

Notwithstanding the foregoing paragraphs (1),(2), and (3), structural association of a fault with geologic structural features which are geologically old (at least pre-Quaternary) such as many of those found in the Eastern region of the United States shall, in the absence of conflicting evidence, demonstrate that the fault is not a capable fault within this definition. (10 CFR 100, App. A)

"Commission" means the Nuclear Regulatory Commission or its duly authorized representatives. (10 CFR 60)

"Containment" means the confinement of radioactive waste within a designated boundary. (10 CFR 60)

"Controlled area" means a surface location, to be marked by suitable monuments, extending horizontally no more than 10 kilometers in any direction from the outer boundary of the underground facility, and the underlying subsurface, which area has been committed to use as a geologic repository and from which incompatible activities would be restricted following permanent closure. (10 CFR 60)

The "design basis earthquake" is that earthquake which is based on an evaluation of the maximum earthquake potential, considering the regional and local geology and seismology and specific characteristics of local subsurface material. It is that earthquake which produces the maximum vibratory ground

motion for which certain structures, systems, and components are designed to remain functional. These structures, systems, and components are those necessary to assure the capability to prevent or mitigate the consequence of accidents which could result in potential offsite exposures comparable to the guideline exposures of this part. (Based on 10 CFR 100, App. A, Safe Shutdown Earthquake definition; reactor-specific aferences have been eliminated.)

"Disposal" means the isolation of radioactive wastes from the accessible environment. (10 CFR 60)

"Disturbed zone" means that portion of the controlled area the physical or chemical properties of which have changed as a result of underground facility construction or as a result of heat generated by the emplaced radioactive wastes such that the resultant change of properties may have a significant effect on the performance of the geologic repository. (10 CFR 60)

"Engineered barrier system" means the waste packages and the underground facility. (10 CFR 60)

A "fault" is a tectonic structure along which differential slippage of the stacent earth materials has occurred parallel to the fracture plane. It is that from other type, of ground disruptions such as landslides, fissures, and craters. A fault may have gouge or breccia between its two walls and

includes any associated monoclinal flexure or other similar geologic structural feature. (10 CFR 100, App. A)

"Geologic repository" means a system which is intended to be used for, or may be used for, the disposal of radioactive wastes in excavated geologic media. A geologic repository includes: (1) the geologic repository operations area, and (2) the portion of the geologic setting that provides isolation of the radioactive waste. (10 CFR 60)

"Geologic repository operations area" means a high-level radioactive waste facility that is part of a geologic repository, including both surface and subsurface areas, where waste-handling activities are conducted. (10 CFR 60)

"Geologic setting" means the geologic, hydrologic, and geochemical systems of the region in which a geologic repository operations area is or may be located. (10 CFR 60)

"Ground water" means all water which occurs below the land surface. (10 CFR 60)

"High-level radioactive waste" or "HLW" means (1) irradiated reactor fuel,

(2) liquid wastes resulting from the operation of the first cycle solvent

extraction system, or equivalent, and the concentrated wastes from subsequent

extraction cycles, or equivalent, in a facility for reprocessing irradiated

reactor fuel, and (3) solids into which such liquid wastes have been converted. (10 CFR 60)

"Important to safety" with reference to structures, systems, and components means those engineered structures, systems, and components essential to the prevention or mitigation of an accident that could result in a radiation dose to the whole body, or any organ, of 0.5 rem or greater at or beyond the nearest boundary of the unrestricted area at any time until permanent closure. (10 CFR 60)

"Isolation" means inhibiting the transport of radioactive material so that amounts and concentrations of this material entering the accessible environment will be kept within prescribed limits. (10 CFR 60)

The "magnitude" of an earthquake is a measure of the size of an earthquake and is related to the energy released in the form of seismic waves.

"Magnitude" means the numerical value on a Richter scale. (10 CFR 100, App. A)

The "Operating Basis Earthquake" is that earthquake which, considering the regional and local geology and seismology and specific characteristics of local subsurface material, could reasonably be expected to affect the plant site during the operating life of the plant; it is that earthquake which produces

the vibratory growth [sic] motion for which those features of the nuclear power plant necessary for continued operation without undue risk to the health and safety of the public are designed to remain functional. (10 CFR 100, App. A)

"Permanent closure" means final backfilling of the underground facility and the sealing of shafts and boreholes. (10 CFR 60)

"Quaternary (Period)" means the period of time ranging from the present to approximately two million years before the present.

"Padioactive waste" or "waste" means HLW and other radioactive materials other than HLW that are received for emplacement in a geologic repository. (10 CFR 60)

A "response spectrum" is a plot of the maximum responses (acceleration, velocity, or displacement) of a family of idealized single-degree-of-freedom damped oscillators against natural frequencies (or periods) of the oscillators to a specified vibratory motion input at their supports.

"Retrieval" means the act of intentionally removing radioactive waste from the underground location at which the waste had been previously emplaced for disposal.

"Safe Shutdown Earthquake" (See "design terms earthquake")

"Seismic hazard" is a set of conditions, based on the potential for the occurrence of earthquakes, that might operate against the health and safety of the public. Seismic hazard may be characterized in either deterministic or probabilistic terms.

"Site" means the location of the controlled area. (10 CFR 60)

"Site characterization" means the program of exploration and research, both in the laboratory and in the field, undertaken to establish the geologic conditions and the ranges of those parameters of a particular site relevant to the procedures under this part. Site characterization includes boring, surface excavations, excavation of exploratory shafts, limited subsurface lateral excavations and borings, and in situ testing at depth needed to determine the suitability of the site for a geologic repository, but does not include preliminary borings and geophysical testing needed to decide whether site characterization should be undertaken. (10 CFR 60)

"Surface faulting" is differential ground displacement at or near the surface caused directly by fault movement and is distinct from nontectonic types of ground disruptions such as landslides, fissures, and craters. (10 CFR 100, App. A)

A "tectonic structure" is a large scale dislocation or distortion within the earth's crust.

s measured in miles. (10 CFR 100, App. A)

"Unanticipated processes and events" means those processes and events affecting the geologic setting that are judged not to be reasonably likely to occur during the period the intended performance objective must be achieved. but which are nevertheless sufficiently credible to warrant consideration. Unanticipated processes and events may be either natural processes and events or processes and events initiated by human activities other than those activities licensed under this part. Processes and events initiated by human activities may only be found to be sufficiently credible to warrant consideration if it is assumed that: (1) The monuments provided for by this part are sufficiently permanent to serve their intended purpose; (2) the value to future generations of potential resources within the site can be assessed adequately under the applicable provisions of this part; (3) an understanding of the nature of radioactivity, and an appreciation of its hazards, have been retained in some functioning institutions; (4) institutions are able to assess risk and to take remedial action at a level of social organization and technological competence equivalent to, or superior to, that which was applied in initiating the processes or events concerned; and (5) relevant records are preserved, and remain accessible, for several hundred years after permanent closure. (10 CFR 60)

"Underground facility" means the underground structure, including openings and backfill materials, but excluding shafts, boreholes, and their seals. (10 CFR 60)

"Unrestricted area" means any area, access to which is not controlled by the licensee for the purposes of protection of individuals from exposure to radiation and radioactive materials, and any area used for residential quarters. (10 CFR 60)

#### APPENDIX B

RELEVANT TEXT FROM TITLE 10, CHAPTER I, OF THE CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

## 10 CFR Part 40, Appendix A, Criterion 4(e)

The impoundment may not be located near a capable fault that could cause a maximum credible earthquake larger than that which the impoundment could reasonably be expected to withstand. As used in this criterion, the term "capable fault" has the same meaning as defined in section III(g) of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100. The term "maximum credible earthquake" means that earthquake which would cause the maximum vibratory ground motion based upon an evaluation of earthquake potential considering the regional and local geology and seismology and specific characteristics of local subsurface material.

# 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix A, Criterion 2, Design bases for protection against natural phenomena

Structures, systems, and components important to safety shall be designed to withstand the effects of natural phenomena such as earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, tsunami, and seiches without loss of capability to perform their safety functions. The design bases for these structures, systems, and components shall reflect: (1) Appropriate consideration of the most severe of the natural phenomena that have been historically reported for the site and

surrounding area, with sufficient margin for the limited accuracy, quantity, and period of time in which the historical data have been accumulated, (2) appropriate combinations of the effects of normal and accident conditions with the effects of the natural phenomena and (3) the importance of the safety functions to be performed.

# 10 CFR Part 60 Section 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(B)

[The assessment of the site at which the proposed geologic repository operations area is to be located, that is to be included in the Safety Analysis Report of the license application, shall contains] Analyses to determine the degree to which each of the favorable and potentially adverse conditions, if present, has been characterized, and the extent to which it contributes to or detracts from isolation. For the purpose of determining the presence of the potentially adverse conditions, investigations shall extend from the surface to a depth sufficient to determine critical pathways for radionuclide migration from the enderground facility to the accessible environment. Potentially adverse conditions shall be investigated outside of the controlled area if they affect isolation within the controlled area.

## Section 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(C)

[The assessment of the site at which the proposed geologic repository operations area is to be located, that is to be included in the Safety Analysis Report of the license application, shall contain:] An evaluation of the performance of the proposed geologic repository for the period after permanent closure, assuming anticipated processes and events, giving the rates and quantities of releases of radionuclides to the accessible environment as a function of time; and a similar evaluation which assumes the occurrence of unanticipated processes and events.

## Section 60.21(c)(3)

[The Safety Analysis Report of the license application, shall include:] A description and analysis of the design and performance requirements for structures, systems, and components of the geologic repository which are important to safety. This analysis shall consider -- (i) The margins of safety under normal conditions and under conditions that may result from anticipated operational occurrences, including those of natural origin; and (ii) the adequacy of structures, systems, and components provided for the prevention of accidents and miligation of the consequences of accidents, including those caused by natural phenomena.

# Section 60.111, Performance of the geologic repository operations area through permanent closure.

- (a) Protection against radiation exposures and releases of radioactive material. The geologic repository operations area shall be designed so that until permanent closure has been completed, radiation exposures and radiation levels, and releases of radioactive materials to unrestricted areas, will at all times be maintained within the limits specified in Part 20 of this chapter and such generally applicable environmental standards for radioactivity as may have been established by the Environmental Protection Agency.
- (b) Retrievability of waste. (1) The geologic repository operations area shall be designed to preserve the option of waste retrieval throughout the period during which wastes are being emplaced and, thereafter, until the completion of a performance confirmation program and Commission review of the information obtained from such a program. To satisfy this objective, the geologic repository operations area shall be designed so that any or all of the emplaced waste could be retrieved on a reasonable schedule starting at any time up to 50 years after waste emplacement operations are initiated, unless a different time period is approved or specified by the Commission. This different time period may be established on a case-by-case basis consistent with the emplacement of since and the planned performance confirmation program.
- (2) This requirement shall not preclude decisions by the Commission to allow backfilling part or all of, or permanent closure of, the geologic

repository operations area before the end of the period of design for retrievability.

(3) For purposes of this paragraph, a reasonable schedule for retrieval is one that would permit retrieval in about the same time as that devoted to construction of the geologic repository operations area and the emplacement of wastes.

# Section 60.112, Overall system performance objective for the geologic repository after permanent closure

The geologic setting shall be selected and the engineered barrier system and the shafts, boreholes and their seals shall be designed to assure that releases of radioactive materials to the accessible environment fullowing permanent closure conform to such generally applicable environmental standards for radioactivity as may have been established by the Environmental Protection Agency with respect to both anticipated processes and events and unanticipated processes and events.

## Section 60.113, Performance of particular barriers after permanent closure

(a) General provisions -- (1) Engineered barrier system. (i) The engineered barrier system shall be designed so that assuming anticipated processes and events: (A) Containment of HLW will be substantially complete during the period when radiation and thermal conditions in the engineered

barrier system are dominated by fission product decay; and (B) any release of radionuclides from the engineered barrier system shall be a gradual process which results in small fractional releases to the geologic setting over long times. For disposal in the saturated zone, both the partial and complete filling with ground water of available void spaces in the underground facility shall be appropriately considered and analyzed among the anticipated processes and events in designing the engineered barrier system.

- (ii) In satisfying the preceding requirement, the engineered barrier system shall be designed, assuming anticipated processes and events, so that:
- (A) Containment of HLW within the waste packages will be substantially complete for a period to be determined by the Commission taking into account the factors specified in Subsection 60.113(b) provided, that such period shall be not less than 300 years nor more than 1,000 years after permanent closure of the geologic repository; and
- (B) The release rate of any radionuclide from the engineered barrier system following the containment period shall not exceed one part in 100,000 per year of the inventory of that radionuclide calculated to be present at 1,000 years following permanent closure, or such other fraction of the inventory as may be approved or specified by the Commission; provided, that this requirement does not apply to any radionuclide which is released at a rate less than 0.1% of the reculated total release rate limit. The calculated total release rate limit
- radioactive waste, originally emplaced in the underground facility, that

- (2) Geologic setting. The geologic repository shall be located so that pre-waste-emplacement ground water travel time along the fastest path of likely radionuclide travel from the disturbed zone to the accessible environment shall be at least 1,000 years or such other travel time as may be approved or specified by the Commission.
- (b) On a case-by-case basis, the Commission may approve or specify some other radionuclide release rate, designed containment period or pre-wasteemplacement ground water travel time, provided that the overall system performance objective, as it relates to anticipated processes and events, is satisfied. Among the factors that the Commission may take into account are:
- (1) Any generally applicable environmental standars for radioactivity established by the Environmental Protection Agency;
- (2) The age and nature of the waste, and the design of the underground facility, particularly as these factors bear upon the time during which the thermal pulse is dominated by the decay heat from the fission products;
- (3) The geochemical characteristics of the host rock, surrounding strata and ground water; and
- (4) Particular sources of uncertainty in predicting the performance of the geologic repository.
- (c) Additional requirements may be found to be necessary to satisfy the overall system performance objective as it relates to unanticipated processes and events.

## Section 60.122(c), Potentially Adverse Conditions

[Selected conditions considered directly or indirectly related to seismic hazard]

The following conditions are potentially adverse conditions if they are characteristic of the controlled area or may affect isolation within the controlled area.

- (3) Potential for natural phenomena such as landslides, subsidence, or volcanic activity of such a magnitude that large-scale surface water impoundments could be created that could change the regional ground water flow system and thereby adversely affect the performance of the geologic repository.
- (4) Structural deformation, such as uplift, subsidence, folding, or faulting that may adversely affect the regional ground water flow system.
- (11) Structural deformation such as uplift, subsidence, folding, and faulting during the Quaternary Period.
- (12) Earthquakes which have occurred historically that if they were to be repeated could affect the site significantly.
- (13) Indications, based on correlations of earthquakes with tectonic processes and features, that either the frequency of occurrence or magnitude of earthquakes may increase.
- (14) More frequent occurrence of earthquakes or earthquakes of higher magnitude than is typical of the area in which the geologic setting is located.

# Section 60.131(b)(1), Protection against natural phenomena and environmental conditions

[With respect to the general design criteria for the geologic repository operations area,] The structures, systems, and components important to safety shall be designed so that natural phenomena and environmental conditions anticipated at the geologic repository operations area will not interfere with necessary safety functions.

### 10 CFR Part 72

## Section 72.66, Geological and seismological characteristics

- (a) Massive water basin and air-cooled canyon types of ISFSI structures.

  (1) East of the Rocky Mountain Front (east of approximately 104 west longitude), except in areas of known seismic activity including but not limited to the regions around New Madrid, Mo., Charleston, S.C., and Attica, N.Y., sites will be acceptable if the results from onsite foundation and geological investigation, literature review, and regional geological reconnaissance show no unstable geological characteristics, soil stability problems, or potential for vibratory ground motion at the site in excess of an appropriate response spectrum anchored at 0.2 g.
- (2) West of the Rocky Mountain Front (west of approximately 104 west longitude), and in other areas of known potential seismic activity, seismicity to be evaluated by the techniques of Appendic 2 of Part 100 of this chapter.

Sites that lie within the range of strong near-field ground motion from historical earthquakes on large capable faults should be a/oided.

- (3) Sites other than bedrock sites shall be evaluated for their liquefaction potential or other soi! instability due to vibratory ground motion.
- (4) Site-specific investigations and laboratory analyses must show that soil conditions are adequate for the proposed foundation loading.
- (5) In an evaluation of alternative sites, those which require a minimum of engineered provisions to correct site deficiencies are preferred. Sites with unstable geologic characteristics should be avoided.
- (6) The [Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation] ISFSI design earthquake (ISFSI-DE) for use in the design of structures shall be determined as follows:
- (1) For sites that have been evaluated under the criteria of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100, the ISFSI-DE shall be equivalent to the safe shutdown earthquake (SSE) for a nuclear power plant.
- (ii) For those sites that have not been evaluated under the criteria of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100, that are east of the Rocky Mountain Front, and that are not in areas of known seismic activity, a standardized ISFSI-DE described by an appropriate response spectrum anchored at 0.25 g may be used. Alternatively, a standardized in ISFSI-DE may be determined by using the criteria and level of investigation, required by Appendix A of Part 100 of this chapter.

- (iii) Regardless of the results of the investigations anywhere in the continental U.S., the ISFSI-DE shall have a value for the horizontal ground motion of no less than 0.10 g with the appropriate response spectrum.
- (b) Other types of ISFSI designs. For ISFSI designs that do not use massive water basins or air-cooled canyons, such as canisters, casks, or silos, a site-specific investigation is required to establish site suitability commensurate with the specific requirements of the proposed ISFSI.

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#### APPENDIX C

## OUTLINE OF 10 CFR PART 100, APPENDIX A

# 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A, Seismic and Geologic Siting Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants

- I. PURPOSE
- II. SCOPE

#### III. DEFINITIONS

- (a) "magnitude"
- (b) "intensity"
- (c) "Safe Shutdown Earthquake"
- (d) "Operating Basis Earthquake"
- (e) "fault"
- (f) "Surface faulting"
- (g) "capable fault"
- (h) "testonic province"
- in 'tectonic structure'
- (j) "zone requir "g detailed faulting investigation"

- (k) "control width"
- (1) "response spectrum"

#### IV. REQUIRED INVESTIGATIONS

- (a) Required Investigations for Vibratory Ground Motion
  - (1) Determination of geologic conditions of the site and vicinity
  - (2) Identification and evaluation of tectonic structures
  - (3) Evaluation of the behavior of geologic materials during prior earthquakes
  - (4) Determination of engineering properties of the materials
  - (5) Listing of all historically reported earthquakes affecting the site
  - (6) Correlation of epicenters with tectonic structures or provinces
  - (7) Determination of capable faults
  - (8) For capable faults, determination of:
    - (i) Length of the fault
    - (ii) Relationship of the fault to regional tectonic structures
    - (iii) Nature of displacements along the fault
- (b) Required Investigations for Surface Faulting
  - (1) Determination of geologic condition of the site and vicinity
  - (2) Evaluation of tectonic structures
  - (3) Determination of geologic evidence of fault offset

- (4) For faults greater than 1000 feet long, determination of whether these faults are capable faults
- (5) Listing of all historically reported earthquakes associated with capable faults greater than 1000 feet long
- (6) Correlation of epicenters of historically reported earthquakes with capable faults greater than 1000 feet long
- (7) For croable faults, determination of:
  - (i) ' ingth of the fault
  - (iii elationship of the fault to regional tectonic structures
    - (iii) Nature of displacements along the faults
    - iv) Extent of the fault zone in the site vicinity
- (c) Requireo investigation for Seismically Induced Floods and Water Waves
  - (1) For coastal sites, determination of:
    - (i) Information regarding distantly and locally generated waves or tsunami affecting the site
    - (ii) Local features which might tend to modify tsunami effects
    - (iii) Appropriate evidence to provide information for designing for the effects of a local offshore earthquake
  - (2) For sites located near lakes and rivers, determination of effects of seismically-induced floods and water waves

#### V. SEISMIC AND GEOLOGIC DESIGN BASES

- (a) Design Basis for Vibratory Ground Motion
  - (1) Determination of Safe Shutdown Earthquake
  - (2) Determination of Operating Basis Earthquake
- (b) Need to Design for Surface Faulting
  - (1) Determination of zone requiring detailed faulting investigation
- (c) Design Bases for Seismically Induced Floods and Water Waves
- (d) Other Design Conditions
  - (1) Soil stability
  - (2) Slope stability
  - (3) Cooling water supply
  - (4) Distant structures

#### VI. APPLICATION TO ENGINEERING DESIGN

- (a) Vibratory Ground Motion
  - (1) Safe Shutdown Earthquake
  - (2) Operating Basis Earthquake
  - (3) Required seismic instrumentation
- (b) Surface Faulting
- (c) Seismically induced floods and water wave and other design considerations



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Dear Mr. Linehan:

Enclosed are the Department of Energy (Department) comments on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) draft Technical Position on Methods of Evaluating the Seismic Hazard at a Geologic Repository, published for comment on August 24, 1989, (54 FR 35286). As previously expressed in our earlier comment letter transmitted to you on September 20, 1989, the Department believes that there are numerous disadvantages with the potential use of 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A for development and evaluation of a geologic repository. This belief is based on: (1) in applying Appendix A, the draft technical position does not consider the different levels of risk associated with a passive geologic repository as contrasted to a dynamic nuclear power reactor; and (2) the terminology and concepts addressed in the regulation appear to be outdated, limiting the use of state-of-the-art concepts such as probabilistic seismic hazard evaluation; and (3) Appendix A provides insufficient guidance on concepts such as underground vibratory ground motion and postclosure tectonic scenarios. These concerns are expanded in the enclosed set of comments.

The Department suggests that a DOE-NRC Technical Exchange be scheduled in the near future to discuss our comments on this important subject. We believe that such an interaction will facilitate your understanding of our concerns. Additionally, we believe that it would be appropriate to re-issue this technical position as a draft document for comment, once the critical issues have been fully discussed and mutual understanding has been reached on the most appropriate methods for evaluating seismic hazards at a geologic respository.

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Please feel free to contact Mr. Steven H. Rossi of my staff on 586-9433 with any questions regarding this correspondence.

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## COMMENTS ON THE NRC DRAFT TECHNICAL POSITION ON METHODS OF EVALUATING THE SEISMIC HAZARD AT A GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY

#### MAJOR COMMENTS

1. As the draft technical position points out, 10 CFR Part 60 does not rely on 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A for guidance regarding provisions for dealing with seismic hazard. There are two reasons that this omission was deliberate. (1) The provisions of Part 100 were written with operating nuclear power plants in mind, not waste disposal systems. Disposal systems lack the active cooling systems and energetic physical mechanisms for dispersing contaminates, which nuclear power plants possess. (2) Appendix A to Part 100, written over 25 years ago, no longer reflects state-of-the-art professional practice in characterizing seismic hazards and developing seismic design bases. Its application has been found to be too prescriptive in some areas, too vague in others, and generally difficult to apply without creating considerable controversy. In addition, some of the methodologies in Appendix A may be particularly inappropriate for application in the Basin and Range Province, where recurrence intervals for earthquakes on particular faults are typically tens of thousands of years.

For the reasons given above, the DOE strongly disagrees with the proposition that 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A should be considered as general guidance for the characterization of seismic hazards and the development of seismic design bases for a geologic repository. If the NRC believes there are specific methodologies from Appendix A that are directly applicable to a geologic repository and are more appropriate than the studies described in the Site Characterization Plan (SCP), then those methodologies should be specifically identified in a "stand alone" guidance document without reference to Appendix A. This would eliminate many of the problems that are inherent in applying a rule designed for nuclear reactor regulation to a geologic repository.

## 2. Page 4, Section 2.4

The technical position states that: "Appendix A sets an important precedent that needs to be considered when new types of nuclear facilities that require seismic hazard review are considered for licensing."

We agree with this statement, however, there is no evidence that the other regulations which refer to Appendix A, (i.e. 10 CFR Part 72 and 10 CFR Part 40) or this draft technical position, have made that important consideration.

10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A, appears to have been used in licensing other nuclear facilities in the United States principally because it is the only regulation for nuclear facilities that provides detailed instructions for seismic-hazard investigations.

The Department notes that a recent revision of DOE Order 6430.1A (U.S. Department of Energy General Design Criteria), which is applicable to non-reactor DOE facilities, incorporates state-of-the-art criteria for seismic design, including specific criteria for vibratory ground motion input and seismic engineering analytical methods. The approach described in DOE Order 6430.1A may be of sufficient scope and conservatism to meet the appropriate 10 CFR 60 requirements.

#### 3. Page 10, Section 4.3

The TP states that "a primary reason for taking the position that Part 100, Appendix A is an appropriate methodology for investigating the seismic hazard at a geologic repository is that much of the technology presented in Part 100, Appendix A is generic in nature."

We disagree; Appendix A is not generic. If it were, why would it apply to only some cases? For example, according to 10 CFR Part 72 Appendix A applies West of the Rocky Mountain Front, but does not apply East of the Front. Likewise, Appendix A applies to massive water basin and air-cooled canyon types of independent spent fuel storage installations (ISFSI), but may not apply to other types of ISFSI designs, such as canisters, casks, or silos. It appears that Appendix A applies only where potential risk warrants. In our opinion, Appendix A should not apply to a repository at Yucca Mountain, in part, because the potential risks are lower than most other nuclear facilities.

Any design methodology must reflect the risks associated with the engineered facility, as well as the hazards posed by the Earth. Although design-basis methodology prescribed by Appendix A is appropriate for nuclear power plants, it is not necessarily appropriate for lower-risk facilities, such as a high-level waste repository, or generic to all tectonic environments.

Even this TP admits that nuclear power plants (for which Appendix A was written) pose a greater risk than a repository. The TP states that, "in contrast to a nuclear power plant, a geologic repository is not likely to have components possessing high energy driving forces capable of broadly dispersing the contained radioactivity. Even with a gross failure of those components of a repository involved in containment, a loss of containment integrity would not be as likely to have as significant a consequence for public health and safety as a nuclear power plant, because the systems would be passive."

The NRC staff uses the above statement to explain why the TP does not consider the Appendix A requirements for an operating basis earthquake. We agree this statement, and suggest that it also justifies rejecting the concept of the applicability of 10 CFR 100, Appendix A.

In addition to its biased (rather than generic) nature, Appendix A has been criticized by the NRC and industry. Appendix A was codified in November 1973, and was largely based on professional practice and state-of-the-art in the 1960's and early 1970's. Since that time, there

have been numerous technical advancements in evaluating fault and earthquake hazards, particularly in probabilistic evaluations. It would be counterproductive to ignore these advancements simply for the sake of complying with an less than current regulation.

In the late 1970's, the NRC considered revising Appendix A because, even at that time, the regulation was considered outdated, complicated and the cause of licensing delays. The NRC staff summarized these problems as follows:

Having geoscience assessments detailed and cast in Appendix A, a regulation, has created difficulty for applicants and the staff in terms of inhibiting the use of needed judgment and latitude. Also, it has inhibited flexibility in applying basic principles to new situations and the use of evolving methods of analyses in the licensing process. Additionally, various sections of Appendix A lack clarity and are subject to different interpretations and dispute. Also, some sections in the Appendix do not provide sufficient information for implementation. As a result of being both overly detailed in some areas and not detailed enough in others, the Appendix has been the source of licensing delays and debate, has inhibited the use of some types of analyses, and has inhibited the development of regulatory guidance (SECY-79-300, April 27, 1979).

More recently, at an October 1986 symposium on seismic and geologic siting criteria for nuclear power plants, the technical community renewed the drive to revise Appendix A. The symposium found a number of problems with Appendix A, but the most important was the need to incorporate probabilistic concepts into the regulation with an appropriate mix of deterministic criteria. At that time, the NRC staff stated that their management may not endorse a rule-making until 1987 (Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Summary Report of the Symposium on Seismic and Geologic Siting Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants, NUREG/CP-0087, June 1987).

Design motions, derived from Appendix A, can misstate the seismic hazards in some tectonic environments, because Appendix A specifies that design motions be estimated without specific consideration of the style of deformation particular to a tectonic environment. Appendix A specification of the Safe Shutdown Earthquake requires a review of the historic distribution of earthquake magnitudes and intensities, the distribution of tectonic structures, and "capable faults". For an Appendix A site motion evaluation, the largest earthquake(s) would be placed at locations closest to the site on geologic structures or at seismotectonic boundaries. Where the largest historic earthquakes cannot be associated with a geologic structure, that earthquake will be located at the closest point within the tectonic province. For an application of Appendix A to a critical facility in the vicinity of a major fault, a "maximum" earthquake magnitude is determined from historical correlations between earthquake magnitude and corresponding surface fault rupture. A common way to

estimate maximum earthquake magnitude is to take a point estimate from a statistical distribution of empirical correlations between earthquake magnitude and the length of mapped surface fault traces.

Application of this methodology to active fault segments in the Southern Great Basin could lead to unconservative or uncertain design earthquakes because of the relatively complicated nature of faulting in an extensional environment, and the corresponding difficulty of estimating, a priori, maximum fault rupture lengths.

Yucca Mountain has been characterized as having a number of closely spaced (2-4 km) anastomosing normal faults (Scott and Bonk, 1984). Thus, estimating maximum fault length and correspondingly "maximum" earthquake magnitude for any surface rupture scenario is extremely difficult, and could easily be under or overestimated. This difficulty is compounded as a result of the paucity of instrumental seismicity to define continuity in a fault trace.

Given these problems with application of Appendix A, we disagree with its imposition for the repository. The SCP offers an approach and methodology, based on a Cumulative Slip Earthquake (CSE), that would better postulate a design basis earthquake.

A CSE is defined in the SCP to be a postulated earthquake that occurring every 10,000 years, would produce the observed or estimated average Quaternary slip rate on a fault. The CSE approach results in a design basis with a corresponding exceedance probability between 10-3 and 10-4 per year.

Preliminary information indicates that the CSE methodology will produce a sufficient seismic design basis for surface facilities important to safety during the preclosure period of repository operation. Specifically, preliminary analysis indicates the resulting seismic design basis would correspond to a postulated earthquake on the Paintbrush Canyon fault (an apparently normal fault located about 1 kilometer east of prospective surface waste-handling facilities) with a magnitude of about 6 to 6 1/2 and a peak ground acceleration at the site of about 0.5 to 0.6g. A recent analysis of alternative seismic design levels (SAND 88-1600, "Preliminary Seismic Design Cost-Benefit Assessment of the Tuff Repository Facilities") suggests that the accident risks associated with a seismic design level of 0.2g or greater for surface waste-handling facilities would be extremely small. Important factors which contribute to this finding are that the surface facility cells would be inherently "hard" against seismic loading, because of shielding requirements and the resulting thick shear-wall construction, the low probability of severe ground motion during the operating life of the facility and the lack of an energetic mechanism for dispersing contaminants during an accident. In addition, the target range of exceedance probabilities 10-3 to 10-4 per year) for the design basis has been found to correspond to the accepted design bases for a number of U.S. nuclear power plants (Reiter and Jackson 1983, NUREG-0967), lending further confidence that the CSE methodology will

provide more than sufficient conservatism.

Before the NRC issues this TP, we would like an opportunity to build on the concept of a CSE and offer an alternative to Appendix A. Basically, we propose a more risk-based approach to assessing hazards where risk is the integrated product of event probability and consequences. Hazard would then be defined as the probability of exceeding a specified event magnitude.

Although it postdates Appendix A, there is nothing new about a risk based approach. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Standards for geologic repository (50 FR 38066 September 19, 1985) translates an acceptable risk (1,000 health effects to a world population) into limits for cumulative releases and recommends a complementary cumulative distribution function to express the hazard (1 chance in 10 and 1 chance in 1,000) of exceeding multiples of those limits. More recently, the EPA proposed "National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Regulation of Radionuclides; Proposed Rule and Notice of Public Hearing" (40 CFR Part 61, 54 FR 9612 March 7, 1989). Here, the EPA proposes three levels of risk, each corresponding to a radiation dose. The final rule will codify one of these doses to limit the radioactive emissions from nuclear and non-nuclear industries.

This risk based approach has clear advantages over Appendix A. Collegial recommendations, such as those made by the International Committee on Radiation Protection, have established values for an acceptable risk. However, various licensing boards, as well as utilities, have never agreed to what constitutes the maximum earthquake that Appendix A expounds. Risk takes into account the nature of the facility and its site. Appendix A examines only the site and was written for nuclear power plant sites, not repositories. Finally, risk assessments can more equitably allocate the design precautions needed to protect the public health and safety. Appendix A would force an unnecessary (and expensive) design hasis on a repository without a commensurate benefit to the public.

Unlike Appendix A, a risk-based approach would account for the reduced seismic hazards in areas, such as Yucca Mountain, where the deformation rate is low. The historic rate of seismicity in the Southern Great Basin (SGB) can be characterized by the average annual number of earthquakes of magnitude 4.0 and greater (denoted N4) per 1,000 sq km. For the SGB, N4 is approximately 0.01 events/1,000 sq km (Greensfelder et al., 1980). This rate of seismicity is extremely low compared to interplate seismotectonic environments, (i.e. southern California), where seismic hazards are common design considerations. Using a conservative value for N4 of 0.015 earthquakes per 1,000 sq km for the rate of seismicity in the Yucca Mountain area, this value of seismicity is about a factor of ten less than the Los Angeles Basin area of southern California. An example of the critical nature of relative deformation rates are comparisons of the preliminary probabilistic hazards between southern California and the Yucca Mountain vicinity. Preliminary estimates of the probability of exceeding peak ground

motion indicates return periods in order of magnitude greater than that estimated for similar levels of motion for the Los Angeles Basin, a region that supports a variety of critical facilities. Preliminary geologic trenching data in the vicinity of the site also supports low deformation rates: apparent vertical slip rates on Quaternary faults are between 0.001 to 0.0001 cm/yr (SCP section 1.5.2.2). The pre- and postclosure design methodology should account for the tectonic deformation rate, otherwise an inconsistent design basis will occur. For example, a maximum earthquake magnitude cannot define the difference in seismic hazard between a fault that can produce a magnitude 7 earthquake in 100 years, and one that produces a magnitude 7 every 100,000 years. A consistent and defensible design basis must account for the level of hazard.

#### 4. Page 13, Section 4.3.2

The TP states that "Section V(a)(1) [of Part 100, Appendix A] prescribes a set of specific steps to take in evaluating the data gathered through the required investigations, to arrive at the earthquake that produces maximum vibratory acceleration at the site above a threshold of 0.1g. This earthquake is termed the Safe Shutdown Earthquake (SSE). These basic procedures form the framework for establishing the determination of the maximum vibratory motion at any site at relevant times and are therefore considered to be appropriate to a geologic repository.

The underscored phrases have little meaning when applied to a repository that has been closed and decommissioned.

The TP states that the maximum vibratory ground motion would be predicted "at the site." Appendix A, in contrast, states that the motion would occur at each of the various foundation locations of the nuclear power plant structures at a given site" (10 CFR 100, Appendix A, Section V, (a)(1)(1V).

The repository site would be at least as large as the controlled area, which according to 40 CFR 191.12(g), encompasses 100 square kilometers and would extend underground. The foundation locations are smaller, more discrete and lie on the surface. Conceivably, Appendix A could be applied to repository surface facilities, but Appendix A could not be applied to a large mass of earth. Moreover, a closed repository has no surface facilities.

We disagree that Appendix A applies during time periods that are relevant to a geologic repository. Appendix A was written for nuclear power plants which have an operational life of about 40 years. Because of the relative short lifetime of the facility and the safety concern being addressed (ability to safely shut down the reactor), the Appendix A methodology relies on the concept of designing for a single, large event ("maximum credible event occurring on a specific fault. While this concept may ensure power-plant safety for 40 years, it is not suitable for evaluating repository performance.

Instead of Appendix A, we propose a more probabilistic methodology that would take into account not only the effects of single, but also the cumulative effects of multiple events that are reasonably likely to occur during the postclosure time period. We suggest that, if the TP is issued, the last sentence should be revised to read: "These basic procedures form the framework for establishing the seismic basis for determination of the maximum vibratory motion at repository surface facilities during the operational phase (Revisions are underscored.)

## 5. Page 7, Section 3

The TP states that "...it is the position of the staff that the results of Part 100 Appendix A investigations can generally provide input for probabilistic and other methods of assessing seismic and faulting hazards for the postclosure period."

Appendix A recommends an investigative methodology that is not appropriate for assessing seismic and faulting hazards for the postclosure period. The prescribed investigations gather information that hypothesizes the vibratory ground motion produced by the Safe-Shutdown Earthquake (SSE), which:

"Produces the maximum vibratory ground motion for which certain structures, systems, and components are designed to remain functional. These structures, systems, and components are those necessary to assure: (1) The integrity of the reactor coolant pressure boundary, (2) The capability to shut down the reactor and prevent or mitigate the consequences of accidents which could result exposures of this Part" (10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A, III.

The terms and concepts included in the definition of the SSE do not exist at a repository that has been permanently closed. A repository has no "coolant pressure boundary"; a closed repository cannot be "shut down"; and there can be no "accidents" at a closed repository, because the operations have stopped.

#### COMMENTS

#### 1. Page 1, Section 1

The introduction states that the technical position "...considers differences that may exist, during the preclosure, among the surface facilities and the underground facility." However, this consideration is not apparent in the remaining text of the technical position.

### 2. Page 1, Section 1

Section 1 states that the purpose of the technical position is to provide: "...regulatory guidance to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) on appropriate methodologies that address seismic hazard at a geologic repository."

Later, in the same Section, it is stated that: "this position does not address probabilistic seismic hazard analysis...[which is] ...addressed in other technical positions...."

Additionally, Section 3 (page 7) states that: "...the results of Part 100, Appendix A investigations can generally provide input for probabilistic and other methods of assessing seismic and faulting hazards for the postclosure period."

Based on such conflicting statements, we find it difficult to understand this draft technical position without understanding the NRC position on probabilistic seismic hazard evaluations, especially since the evaluations specified in 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A are deterministic.

## 3. Page 5. Section 2.5

The technical position states that: "10 CFR Part 60 does not specifically rely on Part 100, Appendix A for guidance regarding provisions for dealing with the seismic hazard nor does it specifically require the development of a design basis earthquake. Instead, the performance objectives and siting and design criteria described in 10 CFR Part 60 establish the bases for considering seismic hazard for both the preclosure and the postclosure periods."

We agree, with the above statement and consider that the omission of references to 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix & was deliberate.

10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A was codified in the regulations and available for consideration at the time 10 CFR Part 60 was promulgated. However, as stated in the supplementary information to the proposed 10 CFR Part 60 rule on disposal of high-level radioactive waste in geologic repositories dated July 8, 1981 (46 FR 35280), the Commission considered their past experience and practice with other facilities and acknowledged that there were important differences between a repository and those facilities. We must conclude that if the Commission believed

Appendix A to be applicable to a geologic repository, it would have codified the Appendix in the regulation at that time.

Since 10 CFR Part 60 was promulgated more than eight years ago, the NRC has concurred on the DOE siting guidelines, commented on the DOE environmental assessments, and reviewed and commented on the SCP. On any of these occasions, the relevance of Appendix A to the repository program could have been raised, but was not. Moreover, the NRC staff agreed with the DOE that: "the need to consider specific pre-closure and post-closure events, processes, and phenomena should be based upon a consideration of their effects on compliance with the performance requirements of 10 CFR 60" (summary of the NRC/DOE meeting on seismic/tectonic investigations, December 3-4, 1985).

## 4. Page 10, Section 4.3.1

Since Appendix A details the required geoscience assessments, the use of evolving methods, such as probabilistic seismic hazard analysis (PSHA), which is a generally accepted procedure to describe the seismic hazard (National Research Council, 1988), is limited. State-of-the-art seismic zoning maps rely to some degree on probabilistic considerations to assess relative hazards at different sites. As described in the SCP, the DOE plans to use PSHA to assess the sensitivity of input parameters and examine uncertainties in ground motion estimates.

# 5. Page 11, Section 4.3.1(6) and Page 13, Section 4.3.2

Appendix A requires the correlation of past earthquakes with capable faults, tectonic structures and tectonic provinces. However, Appendix A does not specify a method for quantifying future rates of activity, including determining a maximum credible earthquake. We believe that more definitive criteria than that provided in Appendix A are needed to avoid conflicting interpretations.

## 6. Page 14, Section 4.3.2

The TP states that "...any guidelines [Section V(b) of Part 100, Appendix A] for surface faulting should be considered applicable to the underground facility of a geologic repository as well, since it is very unlikely that a fault that ruptures the surface above the underground facility would not also create a rupture within the underground facility."

We agree that surface faulting would be expressed underground, but disagree that guidelines for one should apply to the other.

The guidelines in Appendix A clearly apply to the foundations of nuclear power plants. There are no "foundations" underground. Moreover, Appendix A was never written for mines, and the NRC has recognized this. Otherwise it would have referenced Appendix A in 10 CFR Part 60, instead of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 and the mining regulations of Title 30, the Code of Federal

Regulations.

## 7. Page 14. Section 4.3.2

The technical position states that "...any faults discovered within the perimeter of the underground facility, through drifting or other means during site characterization, that cannot be associated with surface faults, require special investigation [given in Appendix A] similar to surface faults." It is not practical to investigate surface and subsurface faults in the same way. According to Section V(b) of 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A fault traces "...are mapped along the trend of the fault for 10 miles in both directions from the point of its nearest approach to the nuclear power plant..." If a subsurface fault is not expressed on the surface, it cannot be mapped for more than a few feet.

## 8. Page 7, Section 3

The TP states that: "...the NRC staff will review those sections of the SAR (Safety Analysis Report) addressing Subsections 60.21(c)(l)(ii)(B) and C and Subsection 60.21(c)(3) of 10 CFR Part 60, in light of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100. In addition, the methodology outlined in this TP can be used in developing seismic and geologic bases for earthquake design criteria pertinent to Subsection 60.131(b)(l) of 10 CFR Part 60 and in assisting in demonstrating compliance with Sections 60.111, 60.112, and 60.113."

The underscored provisions require an assessment of repository postclosure performance. We fail to understand how these provisions could be reviewed "in light of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100" or how Appendix A could assist "in demonstrating compliance" with them.

Subsection 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(B) requires analyses of favorable and potentially adverse conditions as specified in 60.122. The right combination of these conditions will "provide reasonable assurance that the performance objectives relating to the isolation of the waste will be met" (10 CFR 60.122(a)(1)).

Note that the favorable and potentially adverse conditions are not related to repository construction and operation, but only to the "isolation of the waste". In contrast, the scope of Appendix A is to "provide reasonable assurance that a nuclear power plant can be constructed and operated at a proposed site without undue risk to the health and safety of the public" (10 CFR 100 Appendix A, II Scope.)

We submit that the scope of 10 CFR 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(B) differs from the scope of 10 CFR 100 Appendix A, and therefore, compliance with the former cannot be demonstrated in light of the requirements of the latter.

Subsection 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(C) requires "an evaluation of performance of proposed geologic repository for the period after permanent closure, assuming anticipated processes and events, giving the rates and

quantities of releases of radionuclides to the accessible environment as a function of time; and a similar evaluation which assumes the occurrence of unanticipated processes and events." As stated previously, the criteria in Appendix A were written for an operating nuclear facility; not one that has been permanently closed and decommissioned.

Also, 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(C) requires an assessment of anticipated processes and events, while Appendix A requires an assessment of a seismic event (the Safe Shutdown Earthquake) that originates along a "capable fault." Anticipated processes and events are based on "those processes operating in the geologic setting during the Quaternary Period" (last 1.8 million years) (pages A-1 and A-2). Capable faults, defined in Appendix A, exhibit one or more of the following characteristics:

- At least one movement in the past 35,000 years, or multiple movements in the past 500,000 years;
- 2. Instrumental seismicity that can be correlated to a fault; and
- 3. A structural relationship to a fault described by 1 or 2 such that the movement on one could reasonably result in movement on the other.

There may be faults on which "anticipated" events have occurred in the Quaternary, but which occur at such low frequency (less than 2 events in the last 500,000 years) that the faults are not considered capable. This discrepancy between anticipated events and events originating along capable faults is particularly significant in the Basin and Range Province where intervals between faulting events may be 200,000 years or more on some faults. Thus, the postclosure performance evaluations in 10 CFR 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(C) are not congruent with the evaluations of capable faults prescribed in Appendix A.

Subsection 60.112 requires that releases of radioactive material following permanent closure "conform to such generally applicable environmental standards for radioactivity as may have been established by the Environmental Protection Agency [EPA] with respect to both anticipated processes and events and unanticipated processes and events."

The deterministic criteria in Appendix A are of limited utility, if any, for demonstrating compliance with the EPA's probabilistic standards. To determine compliance with 40 CFR 191.13, the EPA recommends a complementary cumulative distribution function "that indicates the probability of exceeding various levels of cumulative release" (40 CFR 191, Appendix B).

These release probabilities will be derived from the probabilities of processes and events that cause the releases. The EPA states that the DOE may discount certain processes and events of low probability or if

omission does not significantly affect the remaining probability distribution of cumulative releases.

In contrast, Appendix A would compel the DOE to assess the consequences of a "maximum earthquake," the "maximum vibratory ground motion," and the epicenters of earthquakes of "greatest magnitude" or the locations of "highest intensity." The superlatives: "maximum," "greatest," and "highest" loose meaning when signifying the types of events that may occur in the next 10,000 years. This would lead to extended debate of limited practical utility regarding what such an event might be. Also, the superlatives connote a deterministic methodology that is antithetical to the probabilistic analyses prescribed by the EPA. In other words, Appendix A advances worst case scenarios regardless of probabilities or consequences, while the EPA effectively dismisses scenarios when probabilities are low or the resulting consequences are insignificant.

Finally, we fail to see how the criteria in Appendix A could assist the DOE in demonstrating compliance with 60.113, which idnetifies objectives for the performance of the waste package, the engineered barrier systems, and groundwater travel time.

The purpose of the investigations required by Appendix A is to obtain the information needed to describe the vibratory ground motion produced by the Safe Shutdown Earthquake. A safe shutdown earthquake is defined by terms and concepts that do not relate to a waste package or an engineered barrier system. The waste package and engineered barrier system have no "coolant pressure boundary"; cannot be "shut down"; and they cannot cause "accidents," because, according to 60.113, these function after the repository operations have stopped.

Even more so, the Safe Shutdown Earthquake has no bearing on calculating ground-water travel time. The Safe Shutdown Earthquake provides a design basis, and ground-water travel time cannot be designed. Moreover, Part 60 constrains ground-water travel time calculations to present-day conditions. The occurrence of a Safe Shutdown Earthquake would not be typical of current-day conditions.

For the above-mentioned reasons, NRC should delete references to 10 CFR 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(B) and (C), 60.112 and 60.113.

## 9. Page 8, Section 4.1

Although data used in assessing the preclosure seismic hazard may very well be used to assess the postclosure seismic hazard, there are distinct differences. For example 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A offers no guidance for assessing the seismic hazard for a subsurface facility, where vibratory ground motion appears to be of little or no concern and only faulting through the repository or the effect of tectonic processes on site or regional hydrology may affect repository performance. Such considerations need to be addressed in the technical position.

## 10. Page 13. Section 4.3.2

Regarding the determination of the Safe Shutdown Earthquake, the last sentence states that Appendix A provides for "...determination of the maximum vibratory motion at any site at relevant times..." We do not understand what is meant by the term "at relevant times." This implies that the Safe Shutdown Earthquake for nuclear power plants is applicable to the preclosure and postclosure periods of a geologic repository, even though it has different facilities, operating periods, and levels of risk. These differences in risk need to be addressed by the technical position.

## 11) Pag. . Section 2.2

The general design criteria of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix A are applicable only to nuclear power reactors. Therefore, we suggest substituting "power" for "material" and "reactors" for "materials" in the first sentence.

## 12) Page 6, Section 2.5

The regulation referenced for input to the SAR [60.21(1)(ii)(B) and (C)] is incorrect. The correct citation is 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(B) and (C).

### 13) Page 16, Section 6

We do not believe it is appropriate for a technical position to contain a bibliography. The usefulness of these documents in providing guidance to the DOE is questionable. Only those documents directly referenced in the technical position should be listed.

## 14) Appendix A

Appendix A contains several minor errors that should be corrected to be consistent with 10 CFR Part 60. These include:

- Page A-1, Accessible Environment, insert "portion of the" between "the" and "Lithosphere."
- Page A-6, Important to Safety, insert "the completion of" between "until" and "permanent."
- Page A-7, Re rievel, insert "10 CFR Part 60" as the reference for this term.

## 15) Appendix B, Page B-9, 10 CFR Part 72

It is not clear as to whether sites east of the Rocky Mountain Front have a minimum spectral anchor of 0.2g (Paragraph (a)) or 0.25g (Paragraph (a)(6)(ii)).

## 16) References

There are various useful documents that address seismic hazard evaluation and 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A that appear to have not been considered in preparing the draft technical position. We suggest that the NRC consider the following documents when evaluating these comments on the draft technical position. These include:

- Bernreuter, D.L., Savy, J.B., Chen, J.C. and B. Davis, Seismic Hazard Characterization of the Eastern United States, Lavrence Livermore National Laboratory, UCID-20421, Vols. 1 and 2, 1985.
- Electric Power Research Institute, Development and Application of a Seismic Hazard Methodology for Nuclear Facilities in 'ne Eastern United States, RP-P101-29, Vols. 1-3, 1985.
- International Atomic Energy Agency, Earthquakes and Associated Topics in Relation to Nuclear Power Plant Siting: A Safety Guide, No. 50-SG-S1, 1979.
- National Research Council, Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis, National Academy Press, 1988.
- U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Geologic and Seismic Siting Policy and Practice for Nuclear Power Plants, SECY-77-288A, 1977.
- 6. U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Identification of Issues Pertaining to Seismic and Geologic Siting Regulation, Policy and Practice for Nuclear Power Plants, SECY-79-300, 1979.
- 7. U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Regulatory Analysis for USI A-40, "Seismic Design Criteria", NUREG-1233, 1988.
- 8. U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Summary Report of the Symposium on Seismic and Geologic Siting Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants, NUREG/CP-0087, 1987.

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Re: Review comments on NRC Draft Technical Position on Methods of Evaluating the Seismic Hazard at a Geologic Repository. (54 Fed. Reg. 35266)

Dear Sir:

These comments on the above-referenced document are submitted by the Edison Electric Institute/Utility Nuclear Waste and Transportation Program (EEI/UWASTE). EEI is the association of the nation's investor-owned electric utilities. UWASTE is a group of electric utilities providing active oversight of the implementation of federal statutes and regulations related to radioactive waste management and nuclear transportation.

First, EEI/UWASTE endorses the content of the September 20, 1989 letter from Mr. Gordon Appel (DOE) to Mr. John L. Linehan (NRC). Second, our remaining comments fall into two areas: a) differences among facilities, and b) designing for seismic hazards – both of which, in EEI/UWASTE's opinion, lead to the conclusion that 10 CFR Part 100 Appendix A does not apply to geologic repositories. These comments are amplified below.

## Differences Among Facilities

The Technical Position "considers differences that may exist. . among the surface facilities and the underground facility" of a repository, but it is silent on what those differences are. Moreover, the Technical Position does not acknowledge the very significant difference between repositories on the one hand, and nuclear power plants, spent-

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fuel storage facilities, and tailings ponds/dams for uranium mills on the other. In the latter context, the Technical Position offers some very weak justification for applying 10 CFR Part 100 Appendix A (Seismic and Geologic Siting Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants) to repositories.

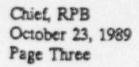
If a seismic event exceeds the design basis for a nuclear power plant, there are high energy forces present within the plant that may result in release of radionuclides to the accessible environment. On the other hand, if a seismic event exceeds the design basis for a repository, the resulting interaction of the geologic and engineered-barrier systems is so complex that release of radionuclides to the accessible environment is not immediate, if ever, and not necessarily catastrophic as determined by performance assessment and probability analyses. Yet, this Technical Position specifically excludes addressing probabilistic seismic-hazard analysis. The Technical Position should directly acknowledge these differences and permit the use of probabilistic analyses.

## Investigation vs. Design for Seismic Hazards

It may be appropriate for this Technical Position to describe the nature and scope of investigations into potential seismic hazards for repositories. However, Appendix A is sorely out-of-date with seismic-hazards knowledge and investigatory techniques. The Technical Position should require state-of-the-art investigations and not be limited to those that evolved in the 1960s and early 1970s when 10 CFR Part 100 Appendix A was promulgated.

The Technical Position states, "The term seismic hazard... is meant to encompass the hazard due to either vibratory ground motion or coseismic faulting, or both, that can affect the design and performance of the geologic repository." The Technical Position, also states that design criteria require "structures, systems, and components important to safety be designed so that their safety functions are preserved under the impact of the most severe, adverse natural phenomena." "In addition," it says, "the methodology outlined in this Technical Position can be used in developing seismic and geologic bases for earthquake design criteria..." And finally, it introduces 10 CFR Part 100 Appendix A, and says that for a repository as for a nuclear power plant, "the determination of a need to design for faulting" is applicable. And yet, Appendix A implies that a facility can be designed for both vibratory ground motion and faulting.

When the above statements are considered in the context of 10 CFR Part 100 Appendix A, they translate into a requirement that faulting-potential be investigated and either: 1) avoided by a setback distance, or 2) that the repository may be designed to accommodate faulting. However, the history of AEC/NRC licensing of nuclear power plants has established the precedent of absolutely rejecting designs to accommodate fault-



ing (e.g., Bodega Bay, California, of Pacific Gas and Electric; and Malibu, California, of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power).

Without specifically acknowledging the ability and the acceptability of accommodating fault displacement in design, the Technical Position is perpetuating a mislessling impression given by 10 CFR Part 100 Appendix A. Furthermore, the Technical Position should indicate the criteria by which setback-distance from faults, and designs to accommodate faulting will be judged by the NRC staff.

## Recommended NRC Actions

This technical position should be carefully reconsidered, especially with respect to its implementation of 10 CFR Part 100 Appendix A as discussed above, and in DOE's letter of September 20, 1989.

In addition, since the establishment of seismic design and acceptance criteria is critical to the ultimate licensing and construction of the nation's first geologic repository for the disposal of civilian high-level waste and spent nuclear fuel, EEL/UWASTE strongly recommends that NRC develop a regulation for a generic repository and supplemental Regulatory Guides on this topic. Regulatory Guides will provide the technical rigor that is appropriate for development of regulatory requirements and guidance in this area. In addition, requirements and guidance provided by regulations are durable and legally binding on all parties in any licensing proceeding.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the subject Draft Technical Position. If you have any questions, or desire additional information regarding our comments, please contact Mr. Christopher J. Henkel, EEI/UWASTE Program Manager for high-level waste at (202) 778-6693.

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Dear Sirs:

RE: DRAFT TECHNICAL POSITION ON METHODS OF EVALUATING THE SEISMIC HAZARD AT A GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY. (FR., Vol. 54, No. 163, August 24, 1989, p. 35266).

The following are the Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects / Nuclear Waste Project Office comments on the subject draft Technical Position. The comments are organized in a format of General Comments and Specific Comments.

## GENERAL COMMENTS:

The draft Technical Position, for the most part, accomplishes its stated purpose of providing regulatory guidance on appropriate methodologies that address seismic hazard(s) at a geologic being titled a Technical Position. In effect, it constitutes a policy statement by the NRC staff that the methodologies and for addressing the earthquake hazards at a geologic repository, and review of a geologic repository license application. What the Technical Position does not say (nor should it say) is that only the results from following the Appendix A methodologies will be questions.

The Technical Position can be improved in content, particularly in regard to the critical issue of capable and active

faults. Given that all capable faults are active faults, yet not all active faults are considered capable faults, a basic question arises regarding the extent to which the existence of capable and/or active faults at a repository site will be acceptable to the NRC staff under any principles, including those espoused in 10 CFR 100, Appendix A. If a site which exhibits both capable and active with application of 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A methodologies will provide little more to license review than some of the information would serve only to expose (as a matter of interest) the degree to basis, since acceptability of a site with both capable and active faults had already been established.

While we know of no NRC regulation that prohibits siting a nuclear facility astride a capable fault, it is difficult to believe that the NRC would license a nuclear reactor if it were exposed to such a condition, nor would a prudent utility be likely furthermore, it is even difficult to conceive of a utility seeking a reactor license for a facility astride an active (Quaternary) fault, in the western U.S., unless possibly there were unequivocal evidence that the fault could be demonstrated as not capable.

Because of the licensing delays that almost certainly will develop if this issue f active and capable faults is not guidance on how known capable and/or active faults underlying, bounding and/or transecting a repository will be considered in capable and/or active faults underlying, meeting the requirements of 10 CFR Part 60. If the existence of transecting a repository is underlying, bounding and/or siting a repository is unacceptable to the NRC, as the reactor repository sites where such conditions exist can be removed quickly from further consideration.

## SPECIFIC COMMENTS:

Page 2, line 1 - Use of the term "coseismic" is too limiting in the sense that the term could be interpreted to exclude appropriate consideration of synthetic faulting.

Page 2, par. 1, final sentence - A number of terms important to understanding 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A, 10 CFR Part 60, and their interrelationships, as discussed in this Technical Position, should be included in the glossary, eg. active fault, seismotectonic province, site region, and operations area.

Page 5, par. 1, final sentence - Documentation is provided on how 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A and 10 CFR Part 40 are linked.

There should be an explanation of why this approach is not taken with 10 CFR Part 60.

Page 5, par. 2, first sentence - It is stated that 10 CFR Part 60 does not specifically rely on 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A for guidance regarding provisions for dealing with seismic hazards. This is in apparent conflict with the Technical Position, on page 7, which states that the NRC staff will rely on the principles of 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A in its review of whether the requirements of 10 CFR Part 60 are met. This appearance of conflict should be clarified and resolved.

Page 5, par. 2, first sentence - It is stated that 10 CFR Part 60 does not specifically require the development of a design basis earthquake. However, the Technical Position (page 7) and the following text strongly imply that a design basis earthquake (maximum vibratory ground motion) will be required. This ambiguity should be resolved, and there should be a specific statement of the kind of design basis earthquake (eg. SSE equivalent) that will be required.

Page 7, final sentence - This statement incorporates the 10 CFR 60 requirement to design the operations area in a manner so as to preserve the preclosure option of waste retrieval. Allowing for the existence of capable and active faults within the repository seems to be in direct conflict with this requirement. Designing to accommodate a fault rupture that isolates a part of the subsurface operations area from surface access will present extreme difficulties and likely result in a compromise of safety.

Page 6, par.2, first sentence - This sentence should be rewritten to reflect the 10 CFR Part 60 language regarding selection of the geologic setting and design of the remaining elements. The geologic setting cannot be designed to limit releases to the accessible environment.

Pages 12 and 13 - For purposes of evaluating a geologic repository ite, application of the general limitation of investigations of surface faulting to faults only within five miles of the site is arbitrary and excessively restrictive, as it neglects the fact that faults may be linked in space and time, especially over the time period that must be considered. To understand the seismic behavior of a single fault, or set of faults commonly requires a thorough understanding of the entire system of faults, regardless of their exact distance from the site under consideration.

Page 14, par. 1 - It seems a bit cavalier to dismiss so easily the need for determination of an Operating Basis Earthquake (OBE). The text seems to imply that risk to onsite personnel is unimportant and that there is no risk to the public in this context. Simply qualitatively comparing the level of risk of a

repository containment failure to that of a reactor under earthquake conditions does not justify the assumption of no significant consequence. This is especially true, given the allowed possibility of a capable fault within the repository creating a gross and uncontrollable loss of containment.

Page 15, par. 1, first sentence - Underground facilities important to safety should be included among elements that can be affected by faulting in a geologic repository.

Page A-1 - See earlier comment regarding the Glossary.

Page A-3, par. 1 - At some point in the Technical Position, there should be a clear statement that, in the context of a geologic repository, generalizations regarding whether pre-Quaternary faults are capable faults are an unacceptable basis for excluding the need for rigorous investigation of existing "geologically old" faults.

Page C-1 - The purpose of including an outline of 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A, without supporting text is not clear. An annotated outline which may include summaries of past experiences (case histories) with 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A, and references would be much more useful than the bare outline.

We appreciate the opportunity to review and provide comment on the subject draft Technical Position. If there are questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

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PREFACE

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### ABSTRACT

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff considers that a deterministic approach to investigations of fault displacement and seismic phenomena should be applied to geologic repository investigations. Further, the staff considers that the approach taken in this technical position to investigations for fault displacement and seismic phenomena is appropriate for the collection of sufficient data for input to analyses of the fault displacement and seismic hazards, both for the preclosure period and for the period after permanent closure.

Section 2.0 of this staff technical position describes the 10 CFR Part 60 requirements that form the basis for investigations to describe the fault displacement and seismic hazards at a geologic repository. Staff technical position statements and corresponding discussions are presented in Sections 3.0 and 4.0 respectively. Staff technical positions are organized according to the following topics: (1) investigation considerations, (2) investigations for fault displacement hazard, and (3) investigations for vibratory ground motion hazard.

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### STAFF TECHNICAL POSITION ON INVESTIGATIONS TO

### IDENTIFY FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND SEISMIC HAZARDS

#### AT A GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

According to 10 CFR Part 60 (see Ref. 1), the applicant for a license to dispose of high-level radioactive waste (HLW) at a geologic repository shall investigate potential fault displacement and seismic or vibratory ground motion hazards that may affect the design, operation, and performance of the geologic repository. However, 10 CFR Part 60 does not specify the manner in which these fault displacement and seismic hazards are to be investigated. The purpose of this Staff Technical Position (STP), therefore, is to provide regulatory guidance to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) on appropriate investigations that can be used to identify fault displacement and seismic hazards at a geologic repository. The terms "fault displacement" and "seismic hazards," as used in this STP, are limited to the hazards resulting from fault displacement and vibratory ground motion that can affect the design and performance of the geologic repository.

The obj cive of the investigations is to provide information needed for both deterministic and probabilistic analyses of the fault displacement and seismic hazards. Ultimately, these investigations provide input to the determination of the design bases of fault displacement and vibratory ground motion that need to be taken into account for the design of structures, systems, and components, of a geologic repository, that are important to safety, containment, or waste isolation. Consideration of the geologic history of faults, in the geologic settings that are thought to be capable of generating earthquakes and displacement, in accordance with criteria described in this STP, contributes to the determination of the most severe earthquakes and displacement that are likely to be associated with these faults. Likewise, the design basis for both

the maximum vibratory ground motion and the expected vibratory ground motion reflects the seismology, geology, and the seismic and geologic history of the site and the surrounding region. Consideration of historical earthquakes that can be associated with tectonic structures or with the geologic setting, and other factors, can help to identify the most severe earthquakes associated with these features. An analysis of the information acquired through the investigations should lead to an estimation of the rates of fall displacement and of seismic activity. Knowledge of such rates and of the fault and seismic characterisics of the site and the geologic setting is fundamental to the development of design bases.

In general terms, this STP draws on experience gained in applying the concepts in Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100 (see Ref. 2), to establish appropriate investigations for providing input for the determination of design basis fault displacement and vibratory ground motion hazards for a geologic repository. Certain parts of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100, with modification, are appropriate for addressing the investigations of the fault displacement and seismic hazard at a geologic repository.

This STP does not address fault displacement analysis or seismic hazard analysis; guidance on these analyses will be treated separately. Furthermore, it does not address the interpretation of the "anticipated processes and events" and "unanticipated processes and events" concepts, as defined in 10 CFR Part 60. Also, this STP does not address the effects of fault displacement on ground water. Finally, the criteria contained in this STP do not address investigations of volcanic or volcano-tectonic phenomena for candidate sites located in areas of such activity. Guidance on the investigation of the volcano-tectonic aspects of such sites also is being considered separately. It is emphasized here that this position in no way suggests deferring to Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100 for guidance in addressing the fault displacement and seismic hazards at a geologic repository. This is particularly true for those sections of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100 that address the determination of the need to design for fault displacement and the design bases for vibratory ground motion.

STPs are issued to describe and make available to the public criteria for methods acceptable to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff, for implementing specific parts of the Commission's regulations, or to provide guidance to the DOE. STPs are not substitutes for regulations, and compliance with them is not required. They suggest one approach that is acceptable to the staff for meeting regulatory requirements. Methods and solutions differing from those set out in the STP will be acceptable if they provide a basis for the findings requisite to the issuance or continuance of a permit or license by the Commission. Published STPs will be revised, as appropriate, to accommodate comments and to reflect new information and experience. In addition, the staff will review in detail the information provided by DOE in light of Standard Format and Content Guide(s) currently being developed by the staff in preparation for license applications and such other guidance and regulatory documents (for example, those detailing quality assurance requirements) as may have been provided to the public and the DOE.

### 2.0 REGULATORY BACKGROUND

The criteria set forth in 10 CFR 60.21(c)(1)(ii) form the basis for investigations to describe the fault displacement and seismic hazards at a geologic repository operations area. The following is an excerpt of the appropriate text of 10 CFR 60.21(c)(1)(ii):

"§60.21(c) The Safety Analysis Report shall include: (1) A description and assessment of the site at which the proposed geologic repository operations area is to be located with appropriate attention to those features of the site that might affect geologic repository operations area design and performance. The description of the site shall identify the location of the geologic repository operations area with respect to the boundary of the accessible environment.

(i) The description of the site shall also include the following information regarding subsurface conditions. This

description shall, in all cases, include such information with respect to the controlled area [see glossary]. In addition, where subsurface conditions outside the controlled area may affect isolation within the controlled area, the description shall include such information with respect to subsurface conditions outside the controlled area to the extent such information is relevant and material..." (ii) The assessment shall contain: (A) An analysis of the geology [and] geophysics ... of the site[.]"

This description and analysis must be in sufficient depth to support the assessment of the effectiveness of engineered and natural barriers (10 CFR 60.21(c)(1)(ii)(D)), as well as the analysis of design and performance requirements for structures, systems, and components important to safety (10 CFR 60.21(c)(3)).

Performance objectives, siting, and design criteria described in 10 CFR Part 60 establish the bases for considering the fault displacement and seismic hazard for the preclosure and postclosure periods. According to 10 CFR 60.111, during the preclosure period, the geologic repository operations area is to be designed to provide protection against radiation exposures and releases of radioactive material in accordance with standards set forth in 10 CFR Part 20 (see Ref. 3). Also, during the preclosure period, 10 CFR 60.111 requires that the geologic repository operations area be designed so that the option to retrieve the emplaced radioactive waste is preserved. 10 CFR 60.131(b)(1) states that structures, systems, and components important to safety be designed so that natural phenomena and environmental conditions expected at the geologic repository operations area will not interfere with necessary safety functions.

It is expected that much of the information gathered to support the fault displacement and seismic hazard evaluation required by 10 CFR 60.131(b)(1), for the preclosure period, can also be used to support fault displacement and seismic hazard evaluation, after permanent closure, with due consideration

given to the uncertainties associated with projections over a much longer period of postclosure performance.

Unlike other nuclear facilities that handle, process, or use high-level radioactive materials, a geologic repository is unique in that it is a facility that not only processes the material, but also becomes the site of the final disposal of this material. Other nuclear facilities, once they have served their usefulness, are decommissioned, and radioactive material associated with the facility is removed to appropriate disposal facilities, including a geologic repository. The investigations performed to address the requirements of 10 CFR 60.131(b)(1) should be conducted concurrently with investigations for postclosure evaluations, such as the potentially adverse conditions regarding the fault displacement and seismic hazards found in 10 CFR 60.122(c)(12), 60.122(c)(13), and 60.122(c)(14), and the fault displacement conditions addressed in 10 CFR 60.122(c)(3), 60.122(c)(4), and 60.122(c)(11). These potentially adverse conditions are to be addressed according to the provisions of 10 CFR 60.122(a)(2).

#### 3.0 STAFF TECHNICAL POSITIONS

It is the NRC staff's position that a deterministic approach to investigations of fault displacement and seismic phenomena, defined in detail in succeeding parts of this section, should be applied to geologic repository investigations. Further, it is the position of the staff that the approach to investigations for fault displacement and seismic phenomena described in this section is appropriate for the collection of sufficient data for input to analyses of the fault displacement and seismic hazards, both for the preclosure period and for the period after permanent closure.

# 3.1 Investigation Considerations

This section provides guidance on the "Identification of the Region to be Investigated," and the "Identification of Faults in the Geologic Setting

Susceptible to Displacement," that form the basis for more detailed investigations described by the technical positions in Sections 3.2 and 3.3.

### 3.1.1 Identification of the Region to be Investigated.

The size of the region to be investigated should be a termined by the nature of the proposed site's geologic setting. For the purposes of the identification of faults susceptible to displacement, the term "geologic setting" applies to both preclosure and postclosure periods. With respect to the identification of fault displacement hazard, the identification process should be based on a review of the pertinent literature and relevant field investigations, and the consideration of alternative tectonic models. Technical position 3.3 provides specific guidance on the size of the area for which historical data are to be compiled in the identification of seismic hazards.

# 3.1.2 <u>Identification of Faults in the Geologic Setting Susceptible to Displacement.</u>

The purpose of this technical position is to provide DOE with an acceptable approach for identifying those faults in the geologic setting that should be considered for further investigation. These faults are termed faults susceptible to displacement ("susceptible" fault). The staff defines a fault within the geologic setting susceptible to displacement, as one that (a) has had movement within the Quaternary Period; or (b) has seismicity, instrumentally determined with records of sufficient precision, that suggests a direct relationship with the fault; or (c) is oriented such that it is subject to failure in the existing stress field; or (d) has a structural relationship (i.e., movement on one fault could cause movement on another) to a fault that meets one or more of the forementioned criteria.

An acceptable approach to the the identification of "susceptible" faults should include:

 Consideration of geologic conditions of the geologic setting, such as its lithology, stratigraphy, structural geology, stress field, and geologic history;

- (2) Determination of existence of Quaternary-age displacement on faults within the geologic setting;
- (3) Consideration of alternative tector c models; and
- (4) Listing of all historically reported earthquakes that can reasonably be associated with faults, any part of which is within the geologic setting, including date of occurrence and the following measured or estimated date: magnitude or highest intensity, and a plot of the epicenter or region of highest intensity.

### 3.2 Investigations for Fault Displacement Hazard.

The investigations described in this section together with the investigations described in subsection 3.1.2 should be sufficient to provide input for the determination of the design basis fault displacement related to structures, systems, and components important to safety, containment, or waste isolation in the surface and underground facilities; these investigations apply to both faults expressed at the surface and those faults with no surface expression.

# 3.2.1 Investigation of Faults Susceptible to Displacement.

Following the identification of faults susceptible to displacement, consideration should be given to which "susceptible" faults need to undergo further investigation. "Susceptible" faults inside the controlled area should be investigated in detail, based on the approach described in subsection 3.2.2. For "susceptible" faults outside of the controlled area, iterative assessments of their possible impact on structures, systems, and components important to safety, containment, or waste isolation can be used as screening criteria for determining the need for detailed investigation. Those "susceptible" faults outside the controlled area to be investigated in detail should also be investigated based on the approach described in subsection 3.2.2.

# 3.2.2 Detailed Investigation of "Susceptible" Faults.

An acceptable approach to the detailed investigation of "susceptible" faults should include:

- (1) Character of the fault or fault zone, including its length, width, and three-dimensional geometry;
- (2) Relationship of the fault to other tectonic structures in the controlled area and the geologic setting;
- (3) Nature, amount, and geologic history of displacements along the fault, including particularly the estimated amount of Quaternary-age displacement; and
- (4) Correlation of hypocenters, or locations of highest ...tensity, of historically reported earthquakes with faults, any part of which is within the controlled area.

"Susceptible" faults encountered in the underground facility should be correlated with their expressions at the surface. If "susceptible" faults encountered in the underground facility cannot be correlated with surface expressions, then investigations should be performed in accordance with this subsection. Finally, for "susceptible" faults in the controlled area and those selected from beyond the controlled area for detailed investigation, the investigations should also include consideration of alternative tectonic models at the scale of the controlled area or larger area, as appropriate.

# 3.3 Investigations for Vibratory Ground Motion Hazard.

The investigations described in this section should be conducted to obtain information needed to provide input for the analysis of the vibratory ground motion. In addition to the investigations described in item (1) of technical position 3.1.2, an acceptable vibratory ground motion hazard investigation should also include the following:

(1)(a) Listing of all historically reported earthquakes that have affected or that could reasonably be expected to have affected the site, including the date of occurrence and the following measured or estimated data: magnitude or highest intensity, and a plot of the epicenter or location of highest intensity. Where historically reported earthquakes could have caused a maximum ground acceleration of at least one-tenth the acceleration of gravity (0.1g) to the site, the acceleration or intensity,

time history, and duration of ground-shaking at these facilities should also be estimated. (Since earthquakes have been reported in terms of various parameters such as magnitude, intensity at a given location, and effect on ground, structures, and people at a specific location, some of these data may have to be estimated by use of appropriate empirical relationships. Measured data are preferable to estimated data, when available.); and

- (1)(b) A description of the comparative characteristics of the material underlying the epicentral location or region of highest intensity, and of the material underlying the site in transmitting earthquake vibratory motion. Investigations in this regard should include:
  - (i) A determination of the static and dynamic engineering properties of the materials underlying the site, as well as an assessment of the properties needed to determine the behavior of the underlying materials during earthquakes, and the characteristics of the underlying materials in transmitting earthquake-induced motions to those structures, systems, and components important to safety, containment, or waste isolation, such as seismic wave velocities, density, water content, porosity, and strength; and
    (ii) An assessment of the physical evidence concerning the behavior, during prior earthquakes, of the surficial geologic materials and the substrata underlying the site from the lithologic, stratig aphic, and structural geologic studies described by technical position 3.1.2;
- (2) Determination of regional attenuation of vibratory ground motion;
- (3) Correlation of epicenters or locations of highest intensity of historically reported earthquakes, where possible, with tectonic structures, any part of which is located within 200 miles of the site. Epicenters or locations of highest intensity that cannot be reasonably correlated with tectonic structures should be associated with seismic source zones, any part of which is located within 200 miles of the site;

- (4) Determination of which "susceptible" faults may be of importance in determining the design basis vibratory ground motion. The "susceptible" faults that should be studied are those faults that could generate the equivalent of 0.1g or greater maximum ground acceleration at the location of the controlled area; and
- (5) Determination of the fault parameters described in Subsection 3.2 for those "susceptible" faults that may be of importance in establishing the design basis vibratory ground motion.

It should be noted that vibratory ground motion determinations for a point on the surface using accepted attenuation functions, which are typically derived from surface observations, will generally be conservative for the underground facility beneath the surface point (except for cases of unusual channeling of the motion). However, if "susceptible" faults are located such that there is a potential for vibratory ground motion to impact the underground facility, investigations should be undertaken to determine if areas exist, within the underground facility, where vibratory ground motion at depth would be higher than at the surface. If feasible, vibratory ground motion should be monitored as early as possible during the site characterization phase of investigations, both on the surface above the proposed underground facility and at the level of the proposed underground facility itself, to observe possible differences in the motion between these locations. Observed differences should be used to estimate the vibratory ground motion attenuation with depth.

#### 4.0 DISCUSSION

The reader of this STP will find that the elements of investigation presented in Sections 3.2 and 3.3 are similar to the elements presented in Section IV of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100. The NRC staff could have adopted Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100 for guidance concerning seismic and geologic criteria, as it has done in 10 CFR Part 40 (see Ref. 4) with regard to tailings dams for uranium processing mills or in 10 CFR Part 72 (see Ref. 5) with regard to independent spent fuel storage installations or monitored retrievable storage

systems. However, Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 100 was not adopted because of the inherent differences between nuclear power plants and a geologic repository. For example, the very long performance period following permanent closure at a geologic repository results in significant differences between preclosure and postclosure performance assessment requirements; requirements not addressed by the investigative approaches described in 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A.

The following discussion parallels the list of technical positions given in Section 3.0.

### 4.1 Investigation Considerations.

This section provides supporting discussion for the identification of the region to be investigated and the concept of "susceptible" fault.

# 4.1.1 Identification of the Region to be Investigated.

The areal extent of the region to be investigated should be such that the geologic and seismic characteristics are understood in sufficient detail so as to permit an evaluation of the proposed site, to provide sufficient information to support the determinations based on these investigations, and to provide input for engineering solutions to actual or potential geologic and seismic effects at the proposed site.

# 4.1.2 Identification of Faults in the Geologic Setting Susceptible to Displacement.

The concept of "susceptible" fault is based on 10 CFR Part 60 requirements, and builds on past regulatory experience (10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A). For the purposes of this STP, the definition of a "susceptible" fault serves only as an indicator (i.e., investigative tool) to identify faults to be considered for investigation. The term "capable fault," as defined in 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A, was not used in this STP because "capable fault" was originated to help define the hazard posed to nuclear power facilities and thus was developed in a substantially different context than HLW repository performance. In contrast to "susceptible" fault, as defined in this STP, "capable fault" was used as a site suitability tool, with established criteria under which nuclear power station sites that include capable faults are not considered suitable (see Refs. 6 and 7).

After an assessment of existing geologic data and alternative tectonic models for the site, faults within the geologic setting that meet one, several, or all of the criteria listed in the aforementioned technical position 3.1.2 would be designated as "susceptible" faults. The identification of "susceptible" faults is considered to be an iterative process in that faults recognized during the characterization process must be evaluated using the criteria established in technical position 3.1.2. Where it is impossible to clearly demonstrate that faults are not "susceptible to displacement" under the criteria listed in technical position 3.1.2, these faults should be assumed to be susceptible to displacement. Faults or fault zones that are clearly demonstrated to not meet any of the criteria for "susceptible" faults would generally require no further investigation, under the guidance provided by the technical positions in Section 3.2.

This STP does not provide specific limits on the dimensions of "susceptible" faults that require investigation. DOE is afforded the flexibility to demonstrate that displacement along "susceptible" faults of a certain dimension will not adversely affect the performance of structures, systems, and components of a geologic repository important to safety, containment, or waste isolation. "Susceptible" faults that fall in this category will require no further investigation, under the guidance in this STP. Consequently, the staff's concept of "susceptible" fault is considered to be size-independent.

The definition of "susceptible" fault considers the Quaternary Period as the basic time increment for the determination of fault significance. The staff does not believe that the use of this time increment as a baseline for characterization is unnecessarily conservative. The use of the entire Quaternary record in characterization activities is based on requirements of 10 CFR Part 60 and supported by the staff analysis of public comments on the draft of 10 CFR Part 60 (see page 373 in Ref. 8). Based on this analysis, it was concluded that in regard to the investigation of potentially adverse conditions, "...all that is important is that processes 'operating during the Quaternary Period' be identified and evaluated...." (48 FR 28211; dated June 21, 1983). The use of the entire Quaternary record also reflects technical

points of view such as those expressed by Allen (see Ref. 9), who indicates that "...the distribution of faults with Quaternary displacements seems to be a valid general guide to modern seismicity" and "... understanding the Quaternary Period is much more important than understanding earlier periods, and this is where attention should first be concentrated." In addition, Hays (see Ref. 10) indicates that "...stratigraphic offset of Quaternary deposits by faulting is indicative of an active fault." Finally, consideration of the record for the entire Quaternary Period is necessary to ensure that faults having long recurrence intervals (i.e., greater than 100,000 years) will be investigated.

The definition of "susceptible" fault is not intended to preclude an examination of the pre-Quaternary record. An assessment of the pre-Quaternary movement history may be needed to establish whether temporal or spatial clustering of fault activity is of importance to the repository. DOE is afforded the flexibility to determine the need or lack of need for an examination of the pre-Quaternary record of fault movements.

The definition of "susceptible" fault also incorporates a criterion that a fault is "susceptible" if it is susceptible to failure in the existing stress regime. This criterion reflects two separate conditions. First, this criterion reflects situations where the existing stress regime is interpreted to suggest that faults that trend in certain directions (i.e., favorablyoriented faults) are in a state of incipient failure. An example of this occurs at the proposed repository site at Yucca Mountain where Rogers and others (see Ref. 11) have indicated that faults in the region with azimuths ranging from about north to east-northeast should be considered favorably oriented for activation in the current stress regime. The second condition reflected by this criterion is the possible perturbations to the stress regime by the emplaced radioactive waste. In the iterative process of the identification of "susceptible" faults in the underground facility, the term "existing stress regime" is intended to include the stress regime that will exist in the repository after the emplacement of radioactive waste. Therefore, the effect(s) of emplaced radioactive waste should be considered in the

identification of, and further study of "susceptible" faults in the underground facility.

It is emphasized that of the criteria for definition of "susceptible" faults, documented evidence of movement within the Quaternary Period is the most important criterion with respect to determining the significance of a fault to the repository. In cases where documentation of movement in the Quaternary Period is lacking or accompanied by high levels of uncertainty, the other criteria for the identification of "susceptible" faults should be considered.

### 4.2 Investigations for Fault Displacement Hazard.

All faults that are susceptible to displacement are not equally hazardous. Thus, the level of investigation can vary from that sufficient for the purpose of identification (such as stated in technical position in subsection 3.1.2) to that sufficient as input for the determination of design fault displacement (such as stated by the technical positions in Section 3.2). "Susceptible" faults in the controlled area for which it can be clearly demonstrated that they will not adversely affect the performance of a geologic repository can be investigated in lesser detail than those faults that may adversely affect the performance of structures, systems, and components of the repository. DOE also is afforded the flexibility to demonstrate that displacement along "susceptible" faults outside the controlled area will not adversely affect the performance of structures, systems, and components of a geologic repository important to safety, containment, or waste isolation, and thus these faults will require no further investigation under guidance in this STP.

It is unlikely that fault displacement could occur at the surface above an underground facility without also occurring within the underground facility. If, however, faults are encountered in the underground facility, it may be impractical to study such faults in the manner described in Section 3.2. Instead, special emphasis should be given to the nature of the fault trace, its extent as observed in other openings, and its orientation relative to the trends of faults identified as "susceptible" faults in the vicinity of the underground facility.

### 4.3 Investigations for Vibratory Ground Motion.

A key element driving the investigations for vibratory ground motion is the peak horizontal acceleration value of 0.1g, below which the staff does not have a regulatory concern. Using 0.1g as a discriminator to determine the scope of investigations to be undertaken or the type of information to be gathered, facilitates the use of various relationships between maximum ground acceleration and parameters of interest. It should not be construed that maximum ground acceleration alone provides the necessary input for the determination of the design basis vibratory ground motion. A value of 0.1g is reasonable when considering the uncertainties encountered in the earthquake data base as well as in the various relationships that have been derived for earthquakes and faulting. This value has been cited in a number of regulatory and guidance documents as a discriminator for the minimum value of consideration for the determination of design basis earthquakes and is so used here. (For example, see section IV, "Required Investigations" in 10 CFR Part 100, Appendix A.)

The 200-mile radius, within which earthquakes should be correlated with structures or associated with seismic source zones, was chosen because this distance approximates the distance at which the peak horizontal acceleration due to the largest earth as expected in the contiguous United States would be attenuated to 0.1g. In a similar fashion, the "susceptible" faults that should be studied are those faults that lie within circles, centered on the location of the controlled area, whose radii are a function of earthquake magnitude and the vibratory ground motion attenuation determined for the region. Each radius represents the distance at which vibratory ground motion of a particular magnitude earthquake would be attenuated to the equivalent of 0.1g, the acceleration of minimum concern at the location of the controlled area.

It is generally observed that vibratory ground motion at depth is less than that observed on the surface above the underground observation point for sources at some distance from the observation points (see Ref. 12). Obviously, if the underground facility is to encompass "susceptible" faults, and these

faults experience movement resulting in earthquakes, then there will exist some zone surrounding the faults where vibratory ground motion might exceed that experienced at the surface. For such vibratory ground motion, it might be necessary to identify the extent of zones of potentially higher vibratory ground motion that may exist in the underground facility.

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### GLOSSARY

As used in this guidance:

"Controlled Area" means a surface location, to be marked by suitable monuments, extending horizontally no more than 10 kilometers in any direction from the outer boundary of the underground facility, and the underlying subsurface, which area has been committed to use as a geologic repository and from which incompatible activities would be restricted following permanent closure (10 CFR Purt 60).

"Fault susceptible to displacement" is a fault in the geologic setting that:

a) has had movement within the Quaternary; or

b) has seismicity, instrumentally determined, with records of sufficient precision to demonstrate a direct relationship with the fault; or

c) is oriented such that it is subject to failure in the existing stress field: or

d) has a structural relationship to a fault that meets one or more of the above criteria.

"Geologic Setting" means the geologic, hydrologic, and geochemical systems of the region in which a geologic repository operations area is or may be located (10 CFR Part 60).

"Seismic hazard" is a set of conditions, based on the potential for the occurrence of earthquakes, that might operate against the health and safety of the public. Seismic hazard may be characterized in either deterministic or probabilistic terms.

"Site" means the location of the controlled area (10 CFR Part 60).

### APPLICABLE 10 CFR PART 60 REGULATIONS

### 10 CFR 60.21(c)(1)

(c) The Safety Analysis Report shall include:

(1) A description and assessment of the site at which the proposed geologic repository operations area is to be located with appropriate attention to those features of the site that might affect geologic repository operations area design and performance. The description of the site shall identify the location of the geologic repository operations area with respect to the

boundary of the accessible environment.

(i) The description of the site shall also include the following information regarding subsurface conditions. This description shall, in all cases, include such information with respect to the controlled area. In addition, where subsurface conditions outside the controlled area may affect isolation within the controlled area, the description shall include such information with respect to subsurface conditions outside the controlled area to the extent such information is relevant and material.

(11) The assessment shall contain:

(A) An analysis of the geology [and] geophysics ... of the site[.]

### §60.21(c)(1)(11)(C)

[The assessment of the site at which the proposed geologic repository operations area is to be located, that is to be included in the Safety Analysis

Report of the license application, shall contain:]

(C) An evaluation of the performance of the proposed geologic repository for the period after permanent closure, assuming anticipated processes and events, giving the rates and quantities of releases of radionuclides to the accessible environment as a function of time; and a similar evaluation which assumes the occurrence of unanticipated processes and events.

# §60.21(c)(3)

[The Safety Analysis Report of the license application shall include:] (3) A description and analysis of the design and performance requirements for structures, systems, and components of the geologic repository which are important to safety. This analysis shall consider -- (i) The margins of safety under normal conditions and under conditions that may result from anticipated operational occurrences, including those of natural origin; and (ii) the adequacy of structures, systems, and components provided for the prevention of accidents and mitigation of the consequences of accidents, including those caused by natural phenomena.

# §60.111, Performance of the geologic repository operations area through permanent closure.

- (a) Protection against radiation exposures and releases of radioactive material. The geologic repository operations area shall be designed so that until permanent closure has been completed, radiation exposures and radiation levels, and releases of radioactive materials to unrestricted areas, will at all times be maintained within the limits specified in Part 20 of this chapter and such generally applicable environmental standards for radioactivity as may have been established by the Environmental Protection Agency.
- (b) Retrievability of waste. (1) The geologic repository operations area shall be designed to preserve the option of waste retrieval throughout the period during which wastes are being emplaced and, thereafter, until the completion of a performance confirmation program and Commission review of the information obtained from such a program. To satisfy this objective, the geologic repository operations area shall be designed so that any or all of the emplaced waste could be retrieved on a reasonable schedule starting at any time up to 50 years after waste emplacement operations are initiated, unless a different time period is approved or specified by the Commission. This different time period may be established on a case-by-case basis consistent with the emplacement schedule and the planned performance confirmation program.

(2) This requirement shall not preclude decisions by the Commission to allow backfilling part or all of, or permanent closure of, the geologic repository operations area before the end of the period of design for

retrievability.

(3) For purposes of this paragraph, a reasonable schedule for retrieval is one that would permit retrieval in about the same time as that devoted to construction of the geologic repository operations area and the emplacement of wastes.

# §60.112, Overall system performance objective for the geologic repository after permanent closure.

The geologic setting shall be selected and the engineered barrier system and the shafts, boreholes and their seals shall be designed to assure that releases of radioactive materials to the accessible environment following permanent closure conform to such generally applicable environmental standards for radioactivity as may have been established by the Environmental Protection Agency with respect to both anticipated processes and events and unanticipated processes and events.

# §60.113, Performance of particular barriers after permanent closure.

(a) General provisions -- (1) Engineered barrier system. (i) The engineered barrier system shall be designed so that assuming anticipated processes and events: (A) Containment of HLW will be substantially complete during the period when radiation and thermal conditions in the engineered barrier system are dominated by fission product decay; and (B) any release of radionuclides from the engineered barrier system shall be a gradual process which results in small fractional releases to the geologic setting over long times. For disposal in the saturated zone, both the partial and complete

filling with ground water of available void spaces in the underground facility shall be appropriately considered and analyzed among the anticipated processes and events in designing the engineered barrier system.

(ii) In satisfying the preceding requirement, the engineered barrier system shall be designed, assuming anticipated processes and events, so that:

(A) Containment of HLW within the waste packages will be substantially complete for a period to be determined by the Commission taking into account the factors specified in 10 CFR 60.113(b) provided, that such period shall be not less than 300 years nor more than 1,000 years after permanent closure of

the geologic repository; and

(B) The release rate of any radionuclide from the engineered barrier system following the containment period shall not exceed one part in 100,000 per year of the inventory of that radionuclide calculated to be present at 1,000 years following permanent closure, or such other fraction of the inventory as may be approved or specified by the Commission; provided, that this requirement does not apply to any radionuclide which is released at a rate less than 0.1 percent of the calculated total release rate limit. The calculated total release rate limit shall be taken to be one part in 100,000 per year of the inventory of radioactive waste, originally emplaced in the underground facility, that remains after 1,000 years of radioactive decay.

(2) Geologic setting. The geologic repository shall be located so that pre-waste-emplacement ground water travel time along the fastest path of likely radionuclide travel from the disturbed zone to the accessible environment shall be at least 1,000 years or such other travel time as may be approved or

specified by the Commission.

(b) On a case-by-case basis, the Commission may approve or specify some other radionuclide release rate, designed containment period or pre-waste-emplacement ground-water travel time, provided that the overall system performance objective, as it relates to anticipated processes and events, is satisfied. Among the factors that the Commission may take into account are:

(1) Any generally applicable environmental standard for radioactivity

established by the Environmental Protection Agency;

(2) The age and nature of the waste, and the design of the underground facility, particularly as these factors bear upon the time during which the thermal pulse is dominated by the decay heat from the fission products:

(3) The geochemical characteristics of the host rock, surrounding strata

and ground water; and

(4) Particular sources of uncertainty in predicting the performance of the

geologic repository.

(c) Additional requirements may be found to be necessary to satisfy the overall system performance objective as it relates to unanticipated processes and events.

# §60.122(a)(2), Siting Criteria.

[Selected requirements considered directly or indirectly related to seismic hazard]

(2) If any of the potentially adverse conditions specified in rangeaph(c) [§60.122(c)] of this section is present, it may compromise the ability of

the geologic repository to meet the performance objectives relating to the isolation of waste. In order to show that a potentially adverse condition does not so compromise the performance of the geologic repository the following must be demonstrated:

(i) The potentially adverse human activity or natural condition has been adequately investigated, including the extent to which the condition may be present and still undetected taking into account the degree of resolution achieved by the investigations; and

(ii) The potentially adverse human activity or natural condition on the site has been adequately evaluated using analyses which are sensitive to the potentially adverse human activity or natural condition and assumptions which

are not likely to underestimate its effect; and

(111)(A) The potentially adverse human activity or natural condition is shown by analysis pursuant to paragraph (a)(2)(11) of this section not to affect significantly the of the geologic repository to meet the performance objectives relating to the isolation of waste, or

(B) The effect of the potentially adverse human activity or natural condition is compensated for by the presence of a favorable combination of the favorable characteristics so that the performance objectives relating to the

isolation of waste are met, or

(C) The potentially adverse human activity or natural condition can be remedied.

### §60.122(c), Potentially adverse conditions.

[Selected conditions considered directly or indirectly related to seismic hazard]

(c) Potentially adverse conditions. The following conditions are potentially adverse conditions if they are characteristic of the controlled

area or may affect isolation within the controlled area....

(3) Potential for natural phenomena such as landslides, subsidence, or volcanic activity of such a magnitude that large-scale surface water impoundments could be created that could change the regional ground-water flow system and thereby adversely affect the performance of the geologic repository.

(4) Structural deformation, such as uplift, subsidence, folding, or faulting that may adversely affect the regional ground-water flow system.

(11) Structural deformation such as uplift, subsidence, folding, and faulting during the Quaternary Period.

(12) Earthquakes which have occurred historically that if they were to be

repeated could affect the site significantly.

(13) Indications, based on correlations of earthquakes with tectonic processes and features, that either the frequency of occurrence or magnitude of earthquakes may increase.

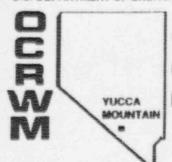
(14) More frequent occurrence of earthquakes or earthquakes of higher magnitude than is typical of the area in which the geologic setting is located.

# §60.131(b)(1), Protection against natural phenomena and environmental conditions.

[With respect to the general design criteria for the geologic repository operations area.]

(b) Structures, systems, and components important to safety -- (1) Protection against natural phenomena and environmental conditions. The structures, systems, and components important to safety shall be designed so that natural phenomena and environmental conditions anticipated at the geologic repository operations area will not interfere with necessary safety functions.

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# YUCCA MOUNTAIN SITE CHARACTERIZATION PROJECT

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY PRELIMINARY COMMENTS
ON FINAL DRAFT NRC STAFF TECHNICAL POSITION ON
INVESTIGATIONS TO IDENTIFY FAULT DISPLACEMENT AND
SEISMIC HAZARDS AT A GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY

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# OUTLINE

- 1. GENERAL COMMENTS
- 2. WARM FUZZIES
- 3. MAJOR COMMENTS
- 4. OTHER COMMENTS
- 5. QUESTIONS

# **GENERAL COMMENTS**

- DOE UNDERSTANDS STP APPLIES TO SITE CHARACTERIZATION ONLY, NOT DESIGN-BASIS DEVELOPMENT.
- DOE AGREES THAT A SINGLE APPROACH TO INVESTIGATING PRE- AND POST-CLOSURE SEISMIC HAZARDS IS APPROPRIATE. HOWEVER, DOE INTENDS TO USE DIFFERENT APPROACHES FOR DEVELOPING PRE- AND POST-CLOSURE DESIGN BASES.
- DOE WILL CAREFULLY REVIEW THE FINAL STP BEFORE TAKING ANY DECISION TO ENDORSE. HOWEVER, WITH A FEW EXCEPTIONS, THE DRAFT STP APPEARS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH DOE'S PUBLISHED PLANS FOR SITE CHARACTERIZATION.

# WARM FUZZIES

- STP ACKNOWLEDGES BOTH DETERMINISTIC AND PROBABILISTIC ANALYSES
   OF SEISMIC HAZARDS WILL BE NEEDED. (§1.0, ¶2)
- STP "IN NO WAY SUGGESTS DEFERRING TO APPENDIX A OF 10 CFR PART 100 FOR GUIDANCE ...." (§1.0, ¶4)
- PART 100 "NOT ADOPTED BECAUSE OF THE INHERENT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS AND A GEOLOGIC REPOSITORY." (§4.0, ¶4)
- NO LIMITS SET ON THE DIMENSIONS OF "SUSCEPTIBLE" FAULTS THAT REQUIRE INVESTIGATION. DOE CAN DEMONSTRATE THAT SAFETY PERFORMANCE WOULD NOT BE ADVERSELY IMPACTED BY DISPLACEMENT ON SMALL FAULTS. (§4.1.2, ¶2)
- "ALL FAULTS THAT ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO DISPLACEMENT ARE NOT EQUALLY HAZARDOUS. THUS, THE LEVEL OF INVESTIGATION CAN VARY ...." (§4.2, ¶1)

# MAJOR COMMENTS

- THE PROPOSED TERMINOLOGY IS UNACCEPTABLE. "SUSCEPTIBLE FAULT"
   CONVEYS THE IDEA OF A SIGNIFICANT PROBABILITY OF MOVEMENT, BUT
   MANY FAULTS WOULD MEET THE PROPOSED DEFINITION, AND YET HAVE AN
   EXTREMELY SMALL LIKELIHOOD OF MOVEMENT.
- DOE SUGGESTS THAT A GENERIC DESCRIPTION SUCH AS, "CANDIDATE FAULTS FOR CHARACTERIZATION," BE SUBSTITUTED FOR "SUSCEPTIBLE," AND THAT A FAULT SIZE AND DISTANCE CRITERION BE ADDED.
- DOE NEEDS TO KNOW WHETHER THE NRC STAFF INTENDS TO USE "SUSCEPTIBLE" FAULTS IN GUIDANCE ON DESIGN-BASIS DEVELOPMENT AND, IF SO, HOW. STATEMENT (§4.1.2, ¶2) THAT DOE SHOULD CONSIDER FAULTS TO BE "SUSCEPTIBLE" THAT CANNOT CLEARLY BE SHOWN TO NOT BE "SUSCEPTIBLE," DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE AIMED AT SITE CHARACTERIZATION.

# **MAJOR COMMENTS**

(CONTINUED)

"SUSCEPTIBLE" FAULTS ARE DEFINED TO HAVE ONE, SEVERAL, OR ALL OF:

 (A) QUATERNARY MOVEMENT, (B) SUGGESTIVE ASSOCIATION WITH RECORDED EARTHQUAKES, (C) FAVORABLE STRESS-FIELD ORIENTATION, OR
 (D) STRUCTURAL RELATIONSHIP TO A FAULT WITH A, B, OR C. IF A FAULT DOES NOT DISPLACE QUATERNARY MATERIAL, IT SHOULD HAVE TO MEET ONE OF THE REMAINING CRITERIA TO BE A CANDIDATE FOR FURTHER CHARACTERIZATION.

• THE STP STATES THAT ALL "SUSCEPTIBLE" FAULTS IN THE GEOLOGIC SETTING SHOULD BE IDENTIFIED (§3.1.1), BUT THAT THE DEGREE OF FURTHER CHARACTERIZATION CAN CONSIDER POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON SAFETY (§4.2). RELEVANCE TO SAFETY (E.G., MINIMUM FAULT LENGTH THAT COULD BE A CONCERN) SHOULD BE FACTORED INTO THE INITIAL EFFORT TO IDENTIFY FAULTS.

# MAJOR COMMENTS

(CONTINUED)

- THE PROPOSED 200-MI RADIUS FOR CORRELATING EARTHQUAKES WITH STRUCTURES OR SOURCE ZONES IS INAPPROPRIATE:
  - -- 200 MI WOULD ENCOMPASS THE PACIFIC/NORTH AMERICAN PLATE MARGIN, CLEARLY NOT IN THE GEOLOGIC SETTING OF THE SITE.
  - -- IN THE <u>WESTERN</u> UNITED STATES, THE MAXIMUM DISTANCE FOR 0.1 g ON COMPETENT GROUND IS ABOUT 100 KM, NOT 200 MI.

# OTHER COMMENTS

- §1.0, ¶2 REFERS TO "THE DESIGN BASIS FOR BOTH THE MAXIMUM VIBRATORY GROUND MOTION AND THE EXPECTED VIBRATORY GROUND MOTION," INFERRING THAT THESE ENTITIES SHOULD BE A BASIS FOR SEISMIC DESIGN. THESE TERMS ARE NOT DEFINED IN THE STP, AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE DESIGN BASIS IS NOWHERE ELSE DISCUSSED. SUGGEST DELETING REFERENCE.
- §4.1 AND §4.2 CONTAIN A NUMBER OF CLARIFYING STATEMENTS THAT WOULD BEST BE MOVED UP TO §3.2:
  - -- "SUSCEPTIBLE" FAULTS IN CONTROLLED AREA THAT WILL NOT AFFECT PERFORMANCE CAN BE INVESTIGATED IN LESS DETAIL. (§4.2)
  - -- "SUSCEPTIBLE" FAULTS TOO SMALL TO AFFECT PERFORMANCE REQUIRE NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION. (§4.1.2)
  - -- RECOGNITION OF PRACTICALITIES OF INVESTIGATING FAULTS IN THE UNDERGROUND FACILITY (§4.2)

# OTHER COMMENTS

(CONTINUED)

 §3.3(1)(a) STATES THAT TIME HISTORIES SHOULD BE ESTIMATED FOR HISTORICALLY REPORTED EARTHQUAKES THAT COULD HAVE CAUSED AT LEAST O.1 g AT THE SITE. TIME HISTORIES NEED ONLY BE ESTIMATED FOR POTENTIAL EARTHQUAKES THAT MIGHT CONTROL THE DESIGN BASIS.

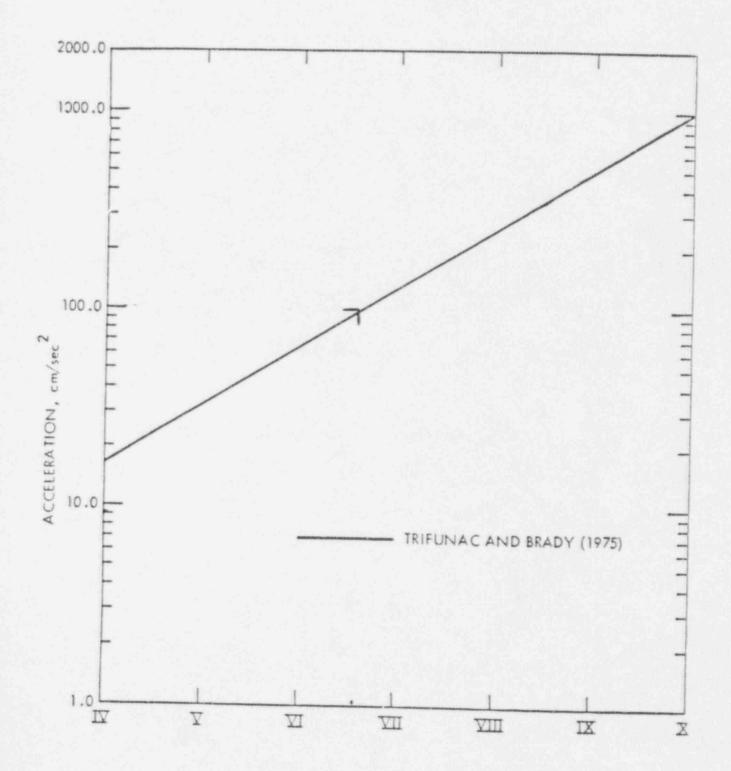
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# QUESTIONS

- DOES "HISTORICALLY REPORTED EARTHQUAKES" MEAN FELT EARTHQUAKES?

  [E.G., §3.1.2(4)]

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- WHAT DOES "FAULTS THAT COULD GENERATE THE EQUIVALENT OF 0.1 g OR GREATER" MEAN? [§3.3(4)]
- IN §3.3, WHAT IS INTENDED BY "SUSCEPTIBLE' FAULTS ... LOCATED SUCH THAT THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR VIBRATORY GROUND MOTION TO IMPACT THE UNDERGROUND FACILITY"? THE CASE DESCRIBED IN §4.3, WHERE THE U/G FACILITY ENCOMPASSES "SUSCEPTIBLE" FAULTS?



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References: 1) Letter from P. J. Edgeworth to J. Latz, dated December 6, 1990;

2) Letter from J. Latz to P. J. Edgeworth, dated December 17, 1990

Dear Ms. Mearse:

Enclosed is Revision 3 of the Integrated Waste Package Experiments Project Plan (IWPE) (Major Milestone 20-3704-040-005) and the detailed response to the Comments (Major Milestone 20-3704-040-010) (enclosure) provided in the referenced letter.

Several changes were made to the IWPE Project Plan Revision 2 following discussions with the NRC Project Officer, Philip Reed, during December 4-6, 1990. These changes have resulted in schedule modifications and cost reallocations. The text changes are dispersed throughout the document and a change-page approach to the old plan was determined to be impractical. As a result, the text and the schedules and milestones chart have been revamped and an IWPE Project Plan Revision 3 is being submitted.

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#### ENCLOSURE

# RESPONSE TO NRC STAFF COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED INTEGRATED WASTE PACKAGE EXPERIMENT PROJECT PLAN, REVISION 2

#### INTRODUCTION

The IWPE project plan was formally submitted to NRC in May 1990 and the official comments were received from the NRC staff in October 1990. The comments consisted of two parts: 1) General Comments on Structure and Basis for the Project Plan, and II) Specific Comments on Proposed Research Tasks in the Project Plan. Under the specific comments, several tasks were approved and more detail was requested on other tasks. Based on these specific comments, certain actions have been initiated. These action items consist of making changes in certain parts of the IWPE project plan to clarify the approaches and including intermediate milestones for delivery of detailed test plans of some subtasks to NRC staff for approval prior to commencement of these subtasks. As a result of these action items, a revised IWPE will be sent as a separate package for approval. The purpose of the present document is to respond to the general and specific comments and clarify the Center's viewpoint with regard to the proposed IWPE plan. The responses will address the comments in the order they occur in the NRC comments.

## I. Responses to General Comments on Structure and Basis for Project Plan

- The scope of the IWPE plan is to perform confirmatory research and exploratory research. The purpose of the exploratory research is to clarify areas of uncertainty and areas where understanding/information is incomplete or lacking. These two aspects of the IWPE plan are stated in Section 2 (Technical Objectives) and 3.1 (Technical Approach). The term "anticipatory" is used instead of "exploratory" as explained in response II.20 of this document.
- 2. The focus of the IWPE Project Plan is the development of a phenomenological understanding of the most important degradation modes for the candidate container materials. It is expected that the experimental approach adopted in the program, as indicated in several subtasks, will lead to a mechanistic understanding of the fundamental processes involved in those degradation modes. In a separate program sponsored by NMSS, mathematical modeling for long-term prediction is being done. Phenomenological and mechanistic understanding of the degradation modes are necessary in order to perform modeling of these processes for long-term prediction.
- The identification of failure modes for components of the HLW package, as well as the development of methods for the evaluation of uncertainties in prediction, has been addressed in a separate activity, sponsored by NMSS with joint participation of NRC and CNWRA staff. This activity has resulted in the publication of three documents addressing the issue of "substantially complete containment" within the waste package (Ref.1). Regarding the extrapolation of short-term and accelerated laboratory tests to predictions involving long-term performance of the waste package through mathematical modeling, it should be remarked, as noted above, that this activity is currently being conducted in the Engineered Barrier System (EBS) program supported by NMSS. The focus of research in the IWPE Project Plan is to develop a phenomenological and mechanistic understanding of failure modes for the container materials through experimental investigation.

The Center proposes to evaluate all six of the current candidate materials plus alloy C-22 as a reference material. However, as stated in the NRC's response to the NSRR Committee, it is neither the insent nor is it feasible, given the funding constraints, to study all seven materials intensively. The Center staff feels that focus should be on alloy 825 among the Fe-Ni-Cr-Mo alloys not only because it has been advanced by DOE/LLNL as the most viable of this family of alloys (Pef. 2), but also because there is a paucity of information on this alloy in cor-parison to the other alloys in this family, types 304L and 316L stainless steels. Among the copper-based alloys, the Center staff feels the Cu-Ni alloy (CDA-715) has been presented by DOE/LLNL as the most likely candidate (Ref. 2) and, hence, should be the alloy of focus. Alloy C-22 has been chosen not only to act as a reference material to compare the performance of the other. Ni-Fa-Cr-Fe. It is likely that DOE/LLNL will revise its list of candidate materials and amine an alloy in this class (Ref. 3). As can be realized from the above discussion, the approach of the IWPE plan is to examine classes of materials in terms of one or more representative alloy from each class. The IWPE plan, Section 3.1, will be amplified to reflect the above explanation. It should also be noted that Task 5 in the IWPE was created cognizant of the possibility of an alternate candidate material.

## II. Responses to Specific Comments on Proposed Research Tasks in Project Plan

- As mentioned in the introduction, the iWPE plan revisions will provide more clarification and specify intermediate milestones for delivery of specific test plans on those subtasks that are not detailed currently.
- Task Details: The main comment is that tasks 2, 3, and 4 were much less detailed than Task 1 2. and approval of these tasks can be made only upon receipt of detailed work plans. In examining the IWPE plan, it must be emphasized that the objectives are both confirmatory and exploratory. The levels of detail of confirmatory research tasks depend on the level of details of prior research performed by DOE/I INL and other NRC sponsored research (Cortest). In the areas of stress corrosion cracking (Task 2), metallurgical stability of alloys other than 304 stainless (Task 3), and microbiologically influenced corrosion pertinent to HLW (Task 4), the experimental investigation of DOE has not been extensive. In contrast, investigations of localized corrosion (Task 1) by DOE and Cortest have been defined well enough to plan this task in greater detail than the other tasks. For Tasks 2 through 5, detailed test plans will be submitted for approval prior to commencement of the subtasks involving experimental work. The test plans will be identified in the revised program plan as intermediate milestone deliverables and indicated in Figure 3.1 of the Project Plan, as well as in the schedules and milestones chart. This approach is consistent with those of other research projects at the Center. Some subtasks have already been conducted under Revision 1 of IWPE, and others are ongoing under the recently approved IWPE Project Plan, Revision 2.
- 3. Changes in Experimental Plans: It is agreed that, in those subtasks in which a detailed work plan cannot be developed at the present time because the results obtained in other subtasks are needed, a separate test plan will be submitted for approval before beginning the experimental work. Accordingly, Figure 3.1 will be revised to incorporate, as intermediate milestones, the delivery of appropriate test plans.

- Other Degradation Modes: Task 5 of the IWPE plan is intended to study the degradation modes of alternative materials in addition to studying the hitherto unidentified degradation modes of existing candidate materials. The alternative material concept includes not only nonmetallic materials, but also higher Ni alloys such as alloy C-22, Ti, and bimetallic structures. At the present time, the Center's effort in this task is considered to be mainly a critical assessment of the state of knowledge of degradation modes of alternate materials. It is premature at the present time, both due to the status of the DOE program and due to budget constraints, to expand our effort in this area or to create a new task. According to the current waste package plan document of DOE (YMP Waste Package Plan, July 1990), for the reference design, the selection of a candidate list of materials will involve an upgrading and modification of the current list of six metallic materials by the end of FY92. Hence, a greater definition of experimental work on alternative materials can be made at that time. An intermediate milestone report on a survey of degradation modes of alternate materials has been added to Task 5. This report will recommend further testing if necessary.
- 5. <u>Literature Awareness</u>: The EBS staff is well aware of the technical literature published in scientific journals as well as in specific publications or reports of research organizations involved in the nuclear industry. Several reports were referenced in the IWPE Project Plan (i.e., Ref. 2, 6, 9, 12, 2, 26, 27, 29, 36, and 46) as appropriate, although in many cases the work reported has not been published in peer reviewed journals. The NRC/NIST/CNWRA database was consulted and references were used when applicable. The recent review of the literature by ANL that was cited by the NRC staff in their comments was received by G. Cragnolino, directly from the author P. S. Maiya. Unfortunately, it was received after the project plan was prepared in May 1990. Nevertheless, it was concluded, after careful review, that the report had no impact on the logical organization, scope, or prioritization of the planned work.
- 6. Literature Review Task Completion: As noted in the Comments, it is the aim of the EBS staff to conduct a comprehensive literature review for each of the four proposed tasks at several stages of these tasks. The schedule adopted in Revision 2 is shown in Figure 3.1. The reason for conducting the reviews at several stages of the program is to remain current by including updated information provided by other authors and organizations, either as peer-reviewed papers or as reports. Reviews of the literature will also be made more thorough, by comparison, to the experimental results obtained in the IWPE program. Such a comparison to our experimental data will enable a critical appraisal of the experimental methodologies and data obtained by others. Coupling of these reviews to the taview of models which is being done under NMSS sponsorship will also be highly beneficial in evaluating the ability to extrapole short-term data to long-term performance. In the particular case of Task 4, Microbiologically Induced Corrosion, no experimental work is contemplated until the end of the first literature review.
- Factorial Matrix for Pitting and Redox Potentials: Questions were raised regarding the choice of environmental species in the factorial experiments, omission of some species such as bicarbonate and oxygen, and the necessity of a meeting with chemists and geochemists for planning the factorial matrix. The factorial matrix that was developed contained a uniform concentration of bicarbonate (85.5 ppm) and included all the anions that remain in solution in groundwaters of the Yucca Mountain area. The effect of silicon-containing species was studied independently due to the low solubility of some of these compounds. The predominant cationic species, sodium, was used as a single cation to avoid chemical interactions with the anions that may affect the validity of the full factorial tests. Oxygen was removed from the solution to avoid the well-known interference of its cathodic reduction with the anodic behavior of the alloys under study. The pH was measured at room temperature at the beginning and end of the test. In

selected cases, the chloride concentration was measured at room temperature at the beginning and end of the test. The ranges of other chemical species were considered in consultation with geochemists (Drs. W. Ma.phy and R. Pabalan) and after a thorough review of published literature from LLNL and Cortest. The test matrix was formulated in consultation with a statistician (Dr. R. L. Mason). Calculations by W. Murphy, based on the EQ3/EQ6 code, have shown that the ionic concentrations of various species in selected solutions do not change significantly due to an increase in temperature to 95°C with the exception of pH. His calculations agree well with the measured pil changes at room temperature after heat-up and cool-down (Report on Research Activities, August 1990 through October 1990).

The test matrix proposed for the study of redox potential (Table 3.4) involves  $H_2O_2$  because it has been shown to be one of the stable products of water radiolysis in the presence of air. The purpose of these studies is to simulate the effect of radiolysis on aerated, aqueous solutions by intentional additions of  $H_2O_2$ . In this case, the source of  $H_2O_2$  is not as important as its concentration. The concentrations used (0.5mM) are within the anticipated steady-state concentrations resulting from gamma radiolysis. The interaction of  $H_2O_2$  with other species such as nitrate is important and is the very reason for conducting a matrix of experiments. In connection with the redox potential tests, the need to generate kinetic data on many redox reactions of interest to the repository environment has been ably pointed out in a recent paper by Macdonald (Ref. 4).

- 8. Internal Corrosion: The Center staff agrees that internal corrosion is an important issue that has been paid scant attention in the past. However, the current budget is not sufficient to examine this aspect of container performance in detail. Therefore, the intent of this subtask is to collect the necessary preliminary in mation on the possible range of internal environments that can lead to a better definition of more detailed study! ter. The current regulation requires the waste to be in a solid form, though the practical matter of being able to achieve this condition for spent fuel remains to be understood. The Center staff will consult with various experts familiar with the spent fuel and reactor components and operation in carrying out this subtask. The end product is anticipated to be a report on the various possibilities of internal corrosion and recommendation for future experimental research. If the need for experimental research is justified, a detailed test plan will be submitted.
- Gamma Irradiation Studies: Experiments under radiation are proposed in Subtask 1.1.4, Long-Term Corrosion Studies. As presently scheduled, the radiation experiments activities will be carried out after sufficient experience is gained in nonradiation environments in which possible radiolysis products have been added. A test plan will be submitted in FY 93 which will describe in detail the experimental approach and program and the facilities to be used. Southwest Research Institute has a licensed hot cell facility with a Co-60 source and counting equipment particularly suitable for this type of experiment.
- Microbiologically Induced Corrosion: The Center staff is acquainted with current developments in this area. A substantial amount of the relevant scientific literature has been briefly reviewed, including some of the EPRI Reports. An additional effort in this area has been initiated since the IWPE Project Plan, Revision 2, was sent to NRC for review. G. Cragnolino attended the International Congress on Microbiologically Influenced Corrosion held in Knoxville, TN, on October 7-12, 1990. Contact has been made with microbiologists at Idaho National Engineering Laboratory and other well known experts in the field. Provisions have been made for additional consultation with microbiologists during the course of the preparation of a critical review of the literature. In this context, another resource available to the Center staff is the staff of the

Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research who can be consulted on microbiological organisms of relevance. As indicated, no experimental work is planned until that review is completed. It is expected that within the conclusions of that review, a recommendation can be made about the advantage of initiating an experimental program. At this time, a detailed test plan will be submitted for approval.

- 11. Effect of Alloy Impurities: The Center staff wholeheartedly agrees with the eventual need to investigate heat-to-heat variations in properties and, hence, the effect of minor variations in chemistry is well as impurities such as P, S, etc. The Center staff is quite aware of the issue of minor alloying elements effect not only in the nuclear industry, but also in other industries. However, it is too premature to examine the heat-to-heat variations in properties until a selection is made of the two final candidate materials in the design (a main and an alternate material), which is not expected before FY94. The effort in terms of evaluating multiple heats of all the present and future candidate materials, as well as model heats containing varying concentrations of impurities, is beyond the budget of both NRC and DOE. The assumption should be made, and the selection of an initial list of candidate materials can be made to satisfy this assumption, that the differences in the performance between the various candidate materials are far greater than the differences between various heats of any given material.
- 12. Bulk vs. Surface Degradation: As a matter of clarification, bulk degradation processes are those that affect mechanical and physical properties. In terms of container performance, this refers to loss of toughness and embrittlement through metallurgical changes. All other forms of degradation (i.e., dealloying, hydrogen effects, stress corrosion cracking, etc.) must have surface mediation, though in some cases the rate controlling step may be transported through the bulk. Hence, it can be seen that degradation modes involving surface reactions dominate both in number and probability to purely bulk degradation. Additionally, changes in the bulk through phase transformations can have adverse effects on surface reactions as in the case of intergranular corrosion or hydrogen embrittlement. The approach adopted by the Center staff in the organization of the IWPE Project Plan was the consideration of degradation modes that may have a dominant impact on the performance of container materials. The main bulk effects expected under high-level nuclear waste repository conditions seem to be related to the heating resulting from radioactive decay that may induce phase transformation and precipitation of other phases or intermetallics, impurity segregation, depletion of alloying elements, etc. The impact of these changes are not only on mechanical properties or internal embrittlement (bulk properties), but also on materials degradation through surface reactions. The Center staff has given priority to Subtask 3.1, focusing the main effort on Alloy 825. A review of literature (Ref. 2) has indicated that there is no updated information on the precipitation-temperature-time behavior of this alloy with the current chemical composition. Studies will be done on AISI 304 and 304L stainless steel as reference materials and for the purpose of validating/calibrating CNWRA test procedures. A test plan for Subtask 3.1 will be submitted for approval before the beginning of the experimental work. As indicated in Fig 3.1 of Revision 1, a literature review covering the behavior of the Fe-Cr-Ni alloys of interest in the IWPE Project Plan will be delivered as an intermediate milestone. Upon meeting with the NRC Project Officer, Subtask 3.4 has been merged into Subtask 3.1 and designated as Long-term Materials Stability. Detailed test plans will be submitted for each of the subtasks within Task 3 for approval before proceeding with the experimental work.
- 13. Hydrogen Attack: Hydrogen attack and hydrogen embrittlement are degradation processes that rank much lower in priority than other degradation modes such as localized corrosion and stress corrosion cracking. Hydrogen attack is considered to be a lower priority because the repository temperatures are significantly lower than the temperatures at which hydrogen attack commonly

occurs. Additionally, the carbon contents of the candidate alloys are lower than those encountered in alloys susceptible to hydrogen attack. Hydrogen transport and embrittlement of some candidate materials are being studied by Prof. Wilde under a subcontract with The Ohio State University. Nevertheless, a review of available information will be conducted under Task 5 to explore the possibilities of these degradation modes for the current list of materials. Recommendations for future testing, if needed, will be provided.

- 14. Effects of Welding: At this time, the method of closure of the containers has not been decided. Many different welding techniques have been investigated by the DOE contractor (Babcock & Wilcox). Friction welding has been touted as the best of these for the current list of candidate materials. Claims have been made in terms of their narrow heat-affected-zones (HAZ) and low segregation in the joint area. While the fusion welding techniques have been investigated in some detail in terms of weldmetal corrosion and stability, much less is known about friction welds, their microstructures, and corrosion resistance. Even in the case of fusion welds, their performance in low chloride environments encountered in the repository is not known. Hence, the current IWPE plan proposes to conduct a preliminary evaluation under Subtask 1.1.3 of both the friction weld and fusion weld (Gas Tungsten Arc Weld) in terms of microstructure and corrosion resistance. A more detailed program on closure involving a study of metallurgical stability, as well as long-term corrosion performance, will be necessary once the choice of a closure process is known.
- 15. Standard ASTM Tests: Appropriate modifications will be made in the text and in the references to incorporate the title of these standardized ASTM tests. While much is known and published about the application of these tests to various materials, there are still some unknowns in terms of application to specific material on hand and the type of transformations anticipated under repository conditions. Any eventual shortcoming and limitations of the standard tests used will be reported in the context of the experimental work conducted in the IWPE project through the quarterly reports and the corresponding final reports for each task or subtask, as appropriate.
- 16. Characterization of Materials: The Revision 2 of the IWPE plan specifically emphasized the need to fully characterize the specific heats of materials being examined. The characterization of the current as well as future candidate materials is listed as one of the first subtasks (Task 1.1.2) in the program. Indeed, it is one of the Center staff's criticism of past programs that they did not characterize the materials sufficiently.
- Short Term vs. Long Term Tests: The distinction between short- and long-term tests, as well as the implications in terms of prediction of materials behavior, is clearly stated for Task 2, Stress Corrosion Cracking. Subtasks 2.2 and 2.3 describe the short-term tests, whereas, Subtask 2.4 deals with long term-tests. For Task 3, Materials Stability, the distinction between short- and long-term tests cannot be so easily drawn. Evaluation tests, which may be short term and long term as listed in Tasks 1 and 2, will be performed after appropriate exposure times to the conditions established in each particular subtask. Methods of accelerating thermal instability such as cold-work will be explored in Task 3 after development of suitable test plans and approval of the same. For Tasks 4 and 5, no experimental work is planned at the present time other than the one currently ongoing at The Ohio State University and, hence, the distinction as such is not relevant.
- 18. Integration Between Tasks: It is true that tests integrating all the features present in a repository are not contemplated in the IWPE Project Plan. Such tests can be done only as "pilot plant" studies involving prototypical components. However, the concept of integrated research studies is present throughout the IWPE project plan, and partial integration of environmental factors and

experimental conditions leading to more than a single degradation mode can be found in the long-term tests. For example, the long-term corrosion tests will involve effects of metallurgical changes as well as radiolysis effects in those specific experiments which are performed under radiation. Similarly, long-term stress corrosion cracking studies will include localized and uniform corrosion effects, metallurgical changes and eventually radiation effects. The effect of microbial activity on localized corrosion is planned to be included at a later date after a thorough review of the conditions that may lead to the growth of microbes in repository conditions has been made.

- 19. Explicit Listing of Candidate Materials: The DOE candidate containers materials were listed in Page 4, Section 3.1. However, following the NRC staff comments, a table of the nominal chemical compositions of the DOE's current candidate materials as well as the Center's reference material will be provided.
- 20. Exploratory vs. Anticipatory Tests: In our prior versions of this plan, the unofficial copy of which was given to NRC staff in February of 1990, we referred to some tasks as exploratory. However, during our presentation to The Nuclear Safety Research Review Committee (currently the Morrison Committee), we were corrected in this and requested to use "anticipatory tasks" instead of "exploratory tasks." Semantics aside, we prefer "anticipatory" because in addition to confirming the research performed by DOE, we anticipate that some research tasks will become important issues in the future. The word "exploratory" conveys the feeling that we are going in a direction without any hope of anyone following us.

The NRC staff seems to be concerned that the number of "anticipatory tasks" in Task 1 are more than the number of "confirmatory tasks" and, hence, implies the former's greater importance. The Center staff does not believe this to be so. However, at the current stage of container materials research, the Center staff believes that many areas of material degradation that may affect licensibility have not been addressed adequately by DOE/LLNL and, hence, many anticipatory tasks have been appropriately proposed in the IWPE plan.

- Deliverables and Subtask Listing: The IWPE Project Plan revision will incorporate these suggestions.
- 22. Activities vs. Task Description: The word "activities" was used to be consistent with all other Research Project Plans. The outline followed and the terms used in the current revision of the IWPE Project Plan are the same as those used and approved by the Office of Research since 1987.
- 23. Prioritization Beyond FY92: The prioritization of activities beyond FY92 will be dictated by the results obtained in previous years and by the proposed activities of DOE. Several long-term tests are expected to continue beyond FY92 with a minimal expenditure of man-hours.

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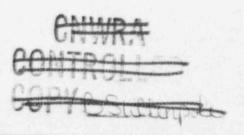
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#### 1. PROJECT PLAN FOR INTEGRATED WASTE PACKAGE EXPERIMENTS

#### 1.1 Introduction

The Nuclear Waste Policy Act (NWPAA) of 1982, as amended, establishes the responsibilities of the Department of Energy (the license applicant), the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) (the license review and license issuing agency), and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (the promulgator of standards for long-term repository performance).

Siting and licensing of a high-level nuclear waste (HLW) repository requires that sophisticated technology, technical complexities, intense public scrutiny, and rigorous schedule constraints be integrated in one program. This mission has the additional complications associated with a complex multi-party legal and regulatory evaluation and approval process.

In support of its high-level waste program under the NWPAA, NRC has established the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses (hereafter referred to as "the Center"). The mission for the Center is to provide a sustained high quality of technical assistance and research in support of NRC's HLW program. Toward accomplishing this mission, the Center conducts research activities to aid in identifying and resolving technical and scientific issues associated with the NRC's licensing of a high-level nuclear waste repository.

The NRC regulation 10 CFR 60.113 requires the waste package to provide substantially complete containment of radionuclides for a period of 300 to 1000 years. Arising from this requirement is the need for the license applicant (DOE) to demonstrate, through proper material selection and design, the long-term performance and corrosion behavior of the waste packages. This need dictates the resolution of key technical issues of (a) mechanisms of waste package degradation and (b) uncertainties in the material data base as they currently exist. NRC, in its role to license the repository, will be required to evaluate DOE's resolution of these critical technical issues. Toward that goal, NRC must develop an understanding of the important parameters that affect the long-term degradation of container materials. Currently, the state of knowledge in this technical area is limited. The Integrated Waste Package Experiments Research Project supports development of an adequate understanding of the long-term waste package performance so that timely guidance can be provided to DOE and a sound basis is available for evaluating the DOE license application. This document presents the detailed project plan for the Integrated Waste Package Experiments research project to be conducted under the Center's research program.

#### 2. TECHNICAL OBJECTIVES

## 2.1 Purpose, Goals, and General Objectives

The purposes and basic objectives of the Waste Package Experiments Project are:

- (1) To obtain an understanding of the important parameters that affect the long-term performance of the waste package materials in a tuff environment. This objective directly supports evaluations in the context of the requirements in 10 CFR 60.113 for substantially complete containment of radionuclides within the engineered barrier system for a period of 300 to 1000 years.
- (2) To assess methodologies used in predicting long-term material degradation where there is limited data and information currently available. This objective will enable NRC and the Center to evaluate the nature of uncertainties in the long-term material degradation processes. This is a key element in ensuring that the radionuclide containment period as defined in 10 CFR Part 60 is technically justifiable.
- (3) To perform material evaluations for confirmatory purposes so that a better understanding of the data supplied by DOE is attained.

The goal of this research project is to enable the NRC and the Center to develop the technical capability and, where necessary, independent experimental data to provide appropriate, timely prelicensing guidance to the DOE and to review DOE waste package design licensing submittals to the NRC.

## 2.2 Specific Objectives

To accomplish the overall goals of the Integrated Waste Package Experiments Project, the following specific objectives are identified:

- To develop a good understanding of the information currently available on metal corrosion and on other material degradation processes.
- To assess the current status of Yucca Mountain Project (YMP) Waste Package Programs.
- To conduct waste package experiments to scope and study the key parameters affecting long-term material performance.
- To assess, experimentally, YMP selected Waste Package materials and designs and provide independent evaluation for reasonable assurance of long-term performance.
- To facilitate a continuous technical integration support to NRC and the Center in the area of waste package performance.

#### 3. TECHNICAL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

#### 3.1 Technical Approach

The emphasis on the experimental program is to critically assess the experimental techniques and results used to predict degradation of the waste package materials and to develop a phenomenological and mechanistic understanding of the various degradation modes. The research program described in this document will enable NRC and the Center to identify uncertainties in the current database on material degradation pertinent to waste package performance and better evaluate any future data. It will also provide a selectively developed independent database with which to assess long-term performance of the waste package. However, the intent of the program is not to generate all the data independently from the license applicant, but to perform intensive investigation of the techniques used to develop the necessary data and the methodology used to extrapolate the data to repository conditions.

The proposed experiments are classified into six tasks. Task 1 addresses corrosion processes including uniform corrosion, localized corrosion (pitting and crevice corrosion), and internal corrosion arising from interactions of the container material with the spent fuel, cladding and other internal contents. The main thrust of the current effort will be in localized corrosion from the external environment. Concern regarding the selection of J-13 water (natural and simulated) as an environment representative of the unsaturated zone water in the proposed Yucca Mountain repository has been raised [1]. It has been indicated, for example, that the chloride content of the pore water may differ substantially from that of the J-13 well water. Variations in pH and in the concentration ratio for other ionic species may also be significant. On the other hand, there is an interest to provide a means of comparison between the results that will be generated in this program and those obtained by other authors in the past. To accommodate this, J-13 water (natural and simulated) is included in this program in order to conduct selected tests. However, it is essential for a phenomenological understanding of the localized corrosion processes and also for predictive purposes, that a representative range of environmental variables be examined in a systematic manner. Hence, a major part of Task 1 is devoted to this purpose. Task 2 will address stress corrosion cracking. Here again, the emphasis initially will be on the external environment. Task 3 will focus on the long-term microstructural stability of the waste package materials. Corrosion induced or accelerated by microbiological organisms is a concern that has not been address ed extensively in this connection. Task 4 will initially review the current literature on microbiologically influenced corrosion pertinent to the waste package environments. Several degradation modes have been only minimally considered by other previous investigations. The purpose of Task 5 will be to identify and examine these other degradation modes and determine whether there is any merit in investigating these degradation modes in any further detail. Currently, hydrogen embrittlement has been identified as a possible degradation mode. A research activity has already been underway as part of the IWPE project at the Fontana Corrosion Center under Prof. B. E. Wilde to develop methodologies for determining the hydrogen absorption and embrittlement from repository environments. Galvanic corrosion between the container material and the borehole liner is also a potential mode of degradation. As part of the NRC research program, Cortest Columbus, Inc., is conducting a preliminary investigation of the subject. Depending on the findings of their initial experiments, further investigation will be carried out at the Center on galvanic corrosion. Future activities under this task may involve investigation of cavitation phenomena due to repeated evaporation and condensation of water droplets at the top of the waste container. The quarterly and annual progress reports of the research tasks are planned under Task 6.

It must be noted that the program as proposed here will concentrate on DOE's current list of six metallic materials and the Center's reference alloy (Hastelloy alloy C-22) (Table 3.1). However, the revised Yucca Mountain Project Waste Package Plan proposed by LLNL has scheduled the selection of a new list of candidate container materials for 1992. The revised list of candidate materials may not have some of the materials currently being examined and may have other materials not currently being examined. To avoid any future

divergence between the Center's and DOE's programs, the Center's program will address evaluation of test methodology that can be applied to classes of metallic materials and use of this data for predictive purposes. This is accomplished by examining three classes of metallic materials: the Iron-based alloys (304L and 316L stainless steels), the Nickel-based alloys with the low end of this class being alloy 825 and the high end being Hastelloy alloy C-22, and the Copper-based alloys with emphasis on the Cu-Ni alloy. The program will also incorporate provisions in its long-range plan (5 years) for preliminary evaluation of new types of materials that may be proposed by DOE. The latter can be done, for example, through Task 5 (Other Degradation Modes). However, new concepts such as bimetallic cladding, ceramic materials, and composite materials are currently beyond the scope of the activities outlined in the present project plan.

Table 3.1 Chemical Compositions of the Candidate Container Materials in the IWPE Program

Alloy			2	Composition (wt.%)				
	<u>Ni</u>	<u>Fe</u>	<u>Cr</u>	Mo	<u>w</u>	Cu	<u>Al</u>	Other
304L	8.0-12.0	Bal.	18.0-20.0					C < 0.03
316L	10.0-14.0	Bal.	16.0-18.0	2.0-3.0				C < 0.03
Alloy 825	Bal.	30.4	19.5-23.5	2.5-3.5		1.5-3.0		C < 0.05
Hastelloy Alloy C-22	Bal.	3.0 max.	22.0	13.0	3.0			C < 0.15
CDA-102						99.95 min.		
CDA-613		3.5 max.				90.0	6.0-8.0	
CDA-715	29.0-33.0	0.4-0.7			71.1	69.5		

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#### 3.2 Technical Tasks

The following sections describe the tasks more fully. An anticipated time sequence for initiation and completion of the tasks is given in Section 3.3.

#### TASK 1 - CORROSION

The technical approach in studying crevice corrosion and pitting in this task will be: 1) to perform short-term tests to confirm findings by other investigators such as Cortest and LLNL and to determine test and environment related factors which can affect these short-term results, 2) to perform anticipatory tests to examine concepts that can be used to predict the localized corrosion kinetics, and 3) to perform long-term tests. In addition to these tests, tests will be conducted to characterize the initial conditions of the metals being tested. Verification tests will be conducted using ASTM standard samples to ensure that the equipment and test methods are in proper order.

The subtasks are listed below and discussed in detail in the following paragraphs under subtask designations:

#### 1.1 Localized Corrosion

- 1.1.1 Critical review of experimental results from DOE- and NRC-sponsored research in this area.
- 1.12 Characterization of the initial condition of the metals under study.
- 1.1.3 Short-term tests under potentiostatic and potentiodynamic conditions.
- 1.1.4 Long-term studies in vapor, aqueous, and wet-dry conditions.

#### 1.2 Internal Corrosion

## Subtask 1.1 Localized Corrosion

Subtask 1.1.1 Review of Experimental Results From Other Programs Related to Localized Corrosion of Container Materials

#### OBJECTIVE

Perform and document a critical review of results from experimental studies conducted by Lawrence Livermore National Laboratories (LLNL), Cortest Columbus Laboratories (CCL), and the Center.

#### JUSTIFICATION

Many experimental programs have been underway sponsored by both DOE and NRC. Some of these results have already been reviewed [2a]. However, results generated subsequently have not been analyzed critically. These include results from NRC-sponsored research conducted by Correst Columbus Laboratories [2b], NIST and CNWRA, and DOE-sponsored research conducted by LLNL. A review of the results from these programs will guide future experimental programs. For example, the factorial experimental study conducted by Beavers and Thompson [2b] will be used to reduce the number of environmental variables

evaluated in simulated J-13 water to those that have a dominant effect on corrosion so that the Center can focus on these environmental and material variables. Furthermore, it is necessary to examine whether the relationships between variables determined by these studies are reasonable or whether they arise out of experimental artifacts. For example, both the LLNL and CCL studies have tended to rely heavily on potentiodynamic polarization technique. It is necessary to examine critical issues in the use of this technique such as the appropriate use of break-off potential as a measure of pitting initiation resistance, the use of hysteresis in polarization curves as a predictor of crevice corrosion, the independence of environmental variables considered in a factorial experiment, and the use of controlled potential testing to examine the effect of oxidizing radiolysis products. Other issues pertain to the details of the experimental techniques and how they affect the results.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

The reports by Beavers and Thompson [2b] will be reviewed with respect to the composition of the electrolytes prepared to simulate J-13 water, electrochemical techniques used, their interpretation, and the statistical significance of the results. This will form the basis for recommendations for future investigations by the Center. Similarly, the results published by LLNL (Glass et al., and Farmer et al.) will be reviewed.

A report will be issued on the basis of the above reviews.

Subtask 1.1.2 Characterization of Materials in the Initial Condition

#### **OBJECTIVES**

Examine, quantify, and document the initial microstructural conditions, surface chemistry, and mechanical properties of the alloys in the program.

#### JUSTIFICATION

It is essential that the as-received microstructural and surface chemical characteristics be evaluated before long-term studies are undertaken. This characterization will establish the starting conditions of the alloys being tested and will answer the following questions:

- Is the as-received alloy in acceptable microstructural condition, i.e., no observable grain-boundary or intra-granular precipitation?
- What is the inclusion content of the material? This is important in examining the pitting
  resistance of the alloys, especially stainless steels (3). Sulfide inclusions such as MnS are more
  detrimental than others such as oxides.
- Is there surface depletion of alloying elements? This has been observed in numerous cases in the past and has accounted for the observed unexpected corrosion of highly alloyed metals in marine corrosion (4).

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Thus far in the program, the Center has performed chemical analyses of all the alloys received. Properties such as yield, tensile strength, and hardness have been included in the material certification from the suppliers of some of the alloys. In order to characterize the materials more fully, a variety of additional tests will be employed. These tests are listed in Table 3.2. These will include:

- Metallography of as-received plates. This will be combined with image analysis techniques to characterize inclusion content and grain size.
- ASTM intergranular corrosion tests. These tests will involve either electrolytic etching (A-262 A) or weight-loss corrosion tests combined with metallographic examination of the corroded cross-section. The ASTM intergranular tests are used to detect the adverse effect of grain boundary precipitates on corrosion. The specific test used is dependent on the alloy system and the type of grain boundary precipitate. For example, the ASTM A-262B test (and its equivalent version, the ASTM G-28A Test) is sensitive to grain boundary carbide precipitation (more accurately the associated Cr depletion). It is not sensitive to sigma phase precipitation. Because many of these ASTM corrosion tests are sensitive to Cr occipitation, surface changes in Cr can also be detected in the absence of grain boundary carbides. It may be necessary, in the case of some alloys, to modify existing ASTM tests or design new tests. Where necessary, these new tests will be detailed in appropriate tests plans. No ASTM test exists for the Cu-alloys. These tests will be conducted in both the as-received surface and 120-grit polished surface as a measure of surface alloy changes. The metallography can be performed on the same samples as the corrosion tests.
- If any heat treatment is desired to improve the as-received microstructure, this will be performed
  and further microstructural examination will be carried out.
- SEM-EDX analyses of the as-received and polished surfaces to detect surface alloy depletion.
- Tensile tests at room temperature and 95° or 150°C depending on what temperatures are chosen
  for the stress corrosion cracking tests (subtasks 2.3 and 2.4). The tensile tests will be done
  transverse to the rolling direction.

Table 3.2 Initial Material Characterization Tests to be Performed on the Current Candidate Alloys

EXAMINATION METHOD	304L	316L	825	<u>C-22</u>	Cu	Cu-Ni	Cu-Al
METALLOGRAPHY	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
ASTM A-262 A	4	4			-		
ASTM A-262 B	4	4					
ASTM G-28 A			4	4			
ASTM G-28 B				4			
SEM-EDX	1	1	1	1			1
TENSILE TEST	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
HARDNESS	1*	1	1	1	1	1	1

BASED ON AVERAGE OF TEN READINGS ON A SAMPLE

#### Subtask 1.1.3 Short-term Corrosion And Electrochemical Studies

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The objective of these tests will be to compare results with other laboratories, determine the uncertainties in the results, determine the quantitative relationship between the crevice corrosion/pitting parameters and environmental variables, and compare the performance of different candidate alloys. Additionally, the objective of this program is to determine the kinetics of redox reactions pertinent to repository conditions on passive metals which in turn will determine the potential regime in which these metals will operate.

#### JUSTIFICATION

The short term corrosion tests can be classified as confirmatory tests and anticipatory (or exploratory) tests. The confirmatory tests are performed to evaluate the degradation data and test techniques reported by other investigators and assist in the interpretation and extension of these results. The anticipatory tests examine degradation modes not examined in detail by others and in clarifying issues not clearly addressed by other investigators.

#### Confirmatory Tests

#### Pitting Variability Tests

Potentiodynamic polarization curves have been used in measuring the relative pitting resistance of various candidate alloys by other investigators [2b, 5]. While there are many limitations to this technique, it can be useful as a screening tool. However, the results from different investigators on the same alloy may differ considerably due to differences in test techniques, environment (simulated J-13 water) preparation, and due to the inherent stochastic nature of the process. For example, Beavers et al. [2b] used an initial cathodic polarization before scanning, whereas ASTM G-61 technique calls for scanning from open-circuit conditions. It has been shown that initial cathodic polarization can lower pitting potential. Similarly, the pH in simulated J-13 water has been adjusted by the addition of HCl which leads to an increase in chloride content from 6 ppm to 20 ppm or H2SO, which leads to an increase in the sulfate to chloride ratio. Another source of variability, especially in the low-conductivity solutions, is the positioning of reference electrode. The inherent variability of pitting potentials from this test has been examined by Fratesi [6] in neutral chloride environments. Hence, it is imperative that these three sources of variations be differentiated through judicious investigation of test techniques, solution preparation, and replication under the same conditions. Replication of tests under the same conditions will yield quantitative information on the variability of critical pitting and protection (repassivation) potentials which then can be used to evaluate the results from factorial experiments. One of the assumptions made in the factorial experiments conducted by Beavers and Thompson [2b] is that the variation in results is uniform across the range of environmental variables. The experiments conducted in this program under the Center's Technical Operating Procedures TOP-008, TOP-009, and TOP-010 will verify this.

#### 2. Full Factorial Tests

Another aspect of the short term tests is the examination of the quantitative dependence of pitting and crevice corrosion on environmental variables such as chloride content, pH and temperature. Beavers and Thompson [2b] have already examined a wide matrix of environmental variables. However, because of the large number of variables, a highly fractionated factorial design was used. This design does not allow evaluation of interaction of environmental variables such as chloride and fluoride, and chloride and sulfate. This can only be attained by a full factorial experimental design. Furthermore, even a full factorial experimental scheme can not yield the functional relationship between pitting and chloride content. The

establishment of a functional relationship is desirable in terms of identifying a quantitative acceleration factor. Once this acceleration factor is established, results from shorter-term tests in aggressive solutions can be used to extrapolate to corrosion kinetics in less aggressive, more realistic solutions. Literature in pitting corrosion suggests that pitting corrosion (pitting potential, incubation time, etc.) is dependent on the logarithm of chloride concentration. Hence, tests focusing on one or two important variables (e.g., chloride and pH or temperature) are needed to verify this functional relationship at low chloride levels.

The copper-based alloys can also exhibit pitting in chloride environments, but they may have a different type of sensitivity to environmental parameters than the chromium-containing alloys. It appears from the investigations of Beavers and Thompson [2b] that potentiodynamic test results on Cu-base alloys yield anomalous results in some cases such as hysteresis without noticeable crevice/pitting corrosion. The type of pitting phenomenon has been shown to depend on the environment composition, such as the pH, hardness of water, temperature, and chloride/sulfate ratio [8]. For example, in high hardness waters, at near neutral pH, and low temperatures, wide pits covered by corrosion products have been observed. In soft waters at high temperatures, narrow, deep pits have been observed. Hence, a study of the effects of these environmental variables relevant to repository environment is essential for the Cu-base alloys.

## Anticipatory Tests

### 3. Crevice Corrosion Tests

In many practical systems, crevice corrosion occurs before pitting because the conditions needed to establish an active corrosion already exist inside a crevice, whereas, pitting has to grow to a significant degree before such conditions become established. Previous investigations have not examined crevice corrosion pertaining to the waste package systematically. For example, electrochemical investigations by McCright, et al. [9] have used the difference between pitting and protection potentials as a measure of crevice corrosion. However, the crevice in this test is an uncontrolled crevice and may not be an accurate indication of crevice corrosion susceptibility. Hence, crevice corrosion tests with controlled crevice geometry (crevice gap, creviced/uncreviced area ratio, and crevice device) need to be performed. These tests will be potentiostatic in nature and will complement the long-term exposure studies.

# 4. Pitting Protection Potential (Repassivation Potential) Validity

Pitting protection potential (repassivation potential) has been used extensively in many tests [1,6,7]. The essential question is the use of a protection potential derived from a short-term test (lasting a few hours) in predicting the behavior for relatively long periods of time. In other words, if the natural corrosion potential of a material in an environment is below the protection potential measured by a short-term test in that environment, will the material be free from pitting in that environment for long periods of time? It has been shown by some authors [10] that protection potential is a function of time allowed for pit growth, i.e., the maximum current attained in the potentiodynamic test. However, others [11] have shown that a protection potential (repassivation) that is independent of the extent of pitting (either number of pits or pit depth) can be established. Obviously, a time-independent protection potential, if it is possible to establish such a value, is of great importance. Hence, experiments where the potential is held above the pitting potential determined by previous testing for various lengths of time ranging from a few hours to a few weeks (the latter in a slowly recirculating system) are needed to establish this concept.

# Measurement of Redox Potentials (E<sub>k</sub>) of Various Simulated Environments

The concept behind all the foregoing tests is that once a potential range in which a certain corrosion phenomenon can take place on a metal is established by electronic control of potential, then, if the redox

potential of the natural environment is known, predictions can be made regarding the bounds of degradation behavior of the metal exposed to that environment. However, the value of E<sub>k</sub> (in this case, a mixed potential) in a complex environment such as may exist in the vadose zone of the proposed repository site is far from clear because of unknowns in the equilibria between various redox couples, and because the actual redox potentials of some reactions may be more polarized (activation or chemical polarization) than others. The latter will be reflected by the fact that the measured potential will be significantly lower (more anodic) than predicted by equilibrium considerations. The oxygen electrode is a well-known example [12]. Additionally, the polarization of some reactions (e.g., oxygen reduction) may be controlled by diffusion of the reacting species to the electrode (Concentration polarization). Thus, there may be many deviations from the E<sub>k</sub> calculated by codes such as EQ3/EQ6.

The purpose of the experimental program here is not to study the fundamental mechanisms of various redox reactions. For many of the redox species of interest in the repository environment, this has been done quite extensively [13]. Rather, the experimental measurements of redox potentials will be made to characterize the mixed potentials as they exist in the natural environment and the kinetics of the various redox reactions (exchange current density and Tafel slopes) so that reliable estimates as to the bounds of corrosion modes may be made. The experimental measurements of mixed potentials can be made by systematically mixing various redox couples and by ensuring that the measurements are not controlled by diffusion limited processes. The diffusion-controlled reactions are overcome by performing the tests using a rotating electrode system at sufficiently high rotational speeds [14,15]. In this way only the activation or chemical polarization effects can be measured. While measurements on platinum give the kinetics of electron exchange reactions at a bare surface, it is more important to measure the redox kinetics on the surfaces of the candidate alloys many of which will be covered by a passive film. Hence, similar measurements must be made on passive metals by ensuring that other anodic reactions do not take place or take place at negligibly low rates. The redox species of interest in the IWPE program are the OyOH, H2OyOH, NO3/NO2, and Fe3+/Fe2+ couples. A source of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>3</sub> is radiolysis and hence redox potential measurements can be made by either simulated solutions or exposure under conditions of y-irradiation. A source of Fe3+/Fe2+ species may be the corrosion of carbon-steel borehole liners.

# Effects of Welding On Localized Corrosion

Closure of containers is anticipated to be performed by welding although the type of welding process has not been determined. The containers are fabricated with longitudinal seam welds which will be in the annealed condition. In the case of fusion welds, it is well established [16] that the weld zone has lower pitting and crevice corrosion resistance than the base metal. The weld metal has lower localized corrosion resistance because of segregation of alloying elements during solidification of the weld, creating depleted regions of Cr, Mo, and W [17]. In some highly alloyed materials such as Hastelloy alloy C-22, presence of intermetallic phase in the weld has also been reported [17]. In contrast, these alloys usually have relatively low carbon, and the heat-affected-zone thermal cycles are rapid enough that grain-boundary precipitation of carbides and sensitization have not been as serious a limitation as weld segregation. Indeed, in modern, low interstitial stainless steels and high-Ni alloys, the weakest corrosion link is not the heat-affected zone, but the fusion weld zone itself. In the case of friction welds, the corrosion resistance of weldments has not been characterized much in the literature. Hence, it is imperative that the corrosion resistance of weldments be studied in addition to that of the base metal. It is envisaged that, in the initial stages of the program, focus will be on the base metal and weldments will be studied preliminarily. However, the preliminary investigation of the weldment properties will shed some light on the areas of concern and appropriateness of the welding technique selection.

#### ACTIVITIES

## a. Pitting Variability Tests

Potentiodynamic polarization tests have been performed at the Center on the stainless steels, alloy 825, and Hastelloy alloy C-22. However, these tests have been preliminary in nature, performed mainly to establish procedures. No effort has been made to examine the variations in polarization curves systematically. Further potentiodynamic, cyclic polarization tests will be conducted on three of the candidate alloys in simulated J-13 water, with chloride concentrations ranging from 6 - 10,000 ppm. The proposed test matrix is shown in Table 3.3. This is subject to modifications as the experiment progresses. Additionally, these tests will yield quantitative relationships between chloride content and characteristic pitting potentials. Similar tests will also be done on the CDA-715 (Cu-30% Ni), but only at the 20 ppm chloride level. Additional tests will be done in solutions selected from the factorial test matrix so that an assessment of the confidence intervals on the factor effects can be made.

Specimens for the electrochemical tests will be prepared in accordance with the Center's TOP-003.

Table 3.3 Test matrix for examining the statistical variability of pitting potentials in potentiodynamic tests.

ENVIRONMENTS	316L	825	<u>C-22</u>	CDA-715
Simulated J-13 (6 - 10,000 ppm Cl')	7	7	7	
Model solutions from factorial tests	7	7	7	7

All tests run according to ASTM G-61 Procedure

Test temperature: 95°C

# Effect of Environmental Variables On Pitting - Full Factorial Test

For reasons of economy, these tests will first concentrate on one alloy—alloy 825—since this is one of the "aim alloys" for the DOE waste package program. The environmental variables considered will be chloride (6 ppm - 1000 ppm), temperature (60°C - 95°C), fluoride (2 - 100 ppm), nitrate (10 - 1000 ppm), and sulfate (20 - 1000 ppm). The initial and final pH will be measured. A constant level of bicarbonate corresponding to that in J-13 water will be added to all solutions. Sodium will be the only cation used. The test matrix is given in Table 3.4. The range of variables chosen is intentionally wide to increase the aggressiveness of the environments so that any interactive effects may be observed easily.

Table 3.4 Effect of focused environmental variables on pitting susceptibility using two-level factorially designed experiments.

Potentiodynamic tests will be conducted according to ASTM G-61 Procedure.

## ALLOY 825

TRIAL NO.	a.	TEMP. (°C)	F.	NO <sub>3</sub>	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2</sup>
*********	*****			****	******
1					
2 3	+				
3		+			
4	+				
5			+		
5 6 7	+		+		
7		+	+		
8		+	+		
9				+	
10	+				
11		*		+	
12	+	+			
13			+		
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CI.	:	Minus = 20 ppm;	Plus = 1000 ppm
T	:	Minus = 60°C;	Plus = 95°C
F.	:	Minus = 2 ppm;	Plus = 200 ppm
NO;		Minus = 10 ppm;	Plus = 1000 ppm
SO,2	:	Minus = 20 ppm;	Plus = 1000 ppm
L.	1	Intermediate points.	- I - I - I - I - I - I - I - I - I - I

The pitting potential alone is not a suitable parameter for statistical analysis because variations in "pitting potential" have no physical meaning when no pitting occurs. Hence, the difference between pitting and protection (repassivation) potential will be used initially. The larger this difference, the greater will be the extent of localized corrosion. However, crevice corrosion can occur at the sample-gasket interface and hence these results will be supplemented by visual observation of the sample after the test.

The result of this test will be an equation of the form:

$$(E_{pit} - E_{prox}) = E_0 + A.[Cl] + B.[T] + C.[F] + D.[NO_3] + E.[SO_4^2] + {Sum of interactions of above}$$

The interaction term of five factors, which is considered unlikely, will be used to block the experimental sequence so that machine or operator biases can be detected. Based on this analysis, a composition can be chosen that can simulate the worst-case condition for localized corrosion within the range of environmental variables tested. Because of the large number of tests required to conduct this matrix, only one alloy is considered. The worst-case condition may not be valid for other alloys. For example, Type 316L stainless steel at the highest chloride and fluoride levels may show more of a general type corrosion and hence  $[E_{pit} - E_{prot}]$  may not be very high or meaningful. Another example is Hastelloy alloy C-22, where preliminary results show that pitting was observed at the lowest chloride level and no pitting at the highest chloride level. For these cases, selected tests will be conducted and the results compared to that of alloy 825. Selected tests will also be done on CDA-715 (Cu-30% Ni). In the case of the copper-based alloy (CDA-715), the environmental factors chosen may be different. For example, the ratio of bicarbonate to chloride has been shown to be important. Additional experiments will also be carried out to investigate the effect of pH, silica, and cations (Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup>).

Finally, selected tests will be performed in natural J-13 water to characterize the short-term corrosivity of this solution within the range of environmental variables. Procedures for collecting the natural J-13 water have already been established and provisions will be made to visit the collection site along with NRC - research staff member. Laboratory test solutions for the experiments in this task will be prepared according to Center's TOP-010.

## c. Crevice Corrosion Tests

The sample configuration for this test would involve sandwiching the sample between two machined crevice blocks (made of an inert material such as zirconia) with a reproducible compressive load. The exact design of the sample will evolve as a result of trials conducted initially. The essential purpose of the design is to control the crevice gap, crevice depth, and crevice/bold surface area ratio. The crevice device has to be chosen carefully to avoid creep. The standard crevice device made of polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE), may not be suitable. Zirconia crevice devices will be considered. The solution chemistry will be based on previous testing. Initially, the tests will be performed on alloys 316L, 825, and C-22. The Cu-base alloy, CDA-715, will be included subsequently. The following testing will be performed:

1. Apply potential to a creviced sample and measure current vs. time.

Variables: crevice gap/length, temperature, chloride.

Measure: Incubation time, protection potential.

Depending on the outcome of these experiments, a more sensitive experiment may be the coupling of 1 open sample (representing the bulk sample) to a creviced sample via a zero resistance ammeter to detect incuration time and propagation rate of crevice corrosion. This will be performed on a reduced number of samples by utilizing the results from the previous test program.

## d. Validity of Pitting Protection Potential

No tests have been performed thus far in any of the waste package materials program to validate the use of protection potential for long-term prediction. The test sequence for this would involve initial trials for the best approach (since no standard ASTM test technique exists), establishing a test procedure, and performing further tests according to these procedures. A preliminary sequence of experiments is given below:

Alloys: Type 304L stainless steel, 316L, alloy 825, Hastelloy alloy C-22

Solution: To be determined from previous step.

Step 1: Identify a pitting potential (E<sub>p</sub>) from previous potentiodynamic tests.

Step 2: Hold at constant potential  $(E_1 = E_p + 50 \text{ mV})$  for times  $t_1$ ,  $t_2$ ,  $t_3$ ,  $t_4$ .

 $t_1 = 24$  hours  $t_2 = 120$  hours

4 = 240 hours

 $t_4 = 720 \text{ hours } (1 \text{ month})$ 

Step 3: Monitor current vs. time (ensuring that it increases)

Step 4: After each time period at E<sub>1</sub>, reduce potential to E<sub>prot</sub> (measured before potentiodynamically).

Step 5: If current does not decrease, reduce potential in 50 mV steps till it starts decreasing. This will be the new E<sub>prot</sub>.

Step 6: Correlate the Eprot to total charge passed at E1.

For long periods of time, it will be necessary to construct a recirculating system such that solution contamination by corrosion products is minimized.

# e. Measurement of Redox Potentials (E<sub>b</sub>):

The E<sub>s</sub> of the system is a complex function of the various redox species present and their heterogeneous reaction kinetics on the metal surfaces. Currently, no scheme exists for calculating these values. The experimental method will involve the use of a rotating cylinder or disc electrode made of either platinum, some other suitable inert electrode, or some of the alloys under consideration. The latter will have to be tested in redox systems where no significant corrosion takes place.

Table 3.5 Test matrix for redox potential measurements on Platinum.

TRIAL NO		0,	/H <sub>2</sub> O	NO3/NO2	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> /OH		
**********		***		*********	********		
1							
2			+				
3		1.0		+			
4			+	+			
5					+		
6			+		+		
7				+	+		
8			•	+	*		
),		Minus	: Deaerate J;	Plus : Aerated			
NO,	), : Minus		: No addition:	Plus: 10,000 ppm	(equimolar nitrite)		
1,0,		Minus	: No addition;	Plus : To be determined			
Baseline solution	1	Dilute sol		Simulated J-13 water.			

To determine the redox potential of a mixture of solutions, a full factorial experimental approach can be used as shown in Table 3.5. Three redox couples are considered to be the most important from the Yucca Mountain repository point of view: O<sub>2</sub>/OH, NO<sub>3</sub>/NO<sub>2</sub>, and H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>/OH. For the three redox couples considered, there will be a total of eight experiments. In each of these experiments, a series of cathodic and anodic polarization and a.c. impedance behavior on platinum at a number of rotational speeds will be determined, and from the highest of the speeds, both the Tafel slopes and exchange current densities will be calculated. From the factorial design then the redox potential of each reaction together with interactive effects can be determined as shown below:

$$E(Mixture) = a_0 \cdot E(O_2) + a_1 \cdot E(NO_3/NO_2) + a_3 \cdot E(H_2O_2) + (Sum of two by two products)$$

An additional redox reaction is Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>2+</sup> reaction. This will be investigated separately. A word of caution is appropriate at this point. The effect of individual species in the redox potential of mixture (i.e., the coefficients in the above equation) depends on their concentration range chosen. Thus, at high concentrations, the nitrate/nitrite reaction can overwhelm the other reactions, but at the concentrations expected in the radiolysis products, its effects relative to the oxygen reduction reaction are not known.

In addition to measurements on Platinum, preliminary measurements on other oxide covered electrodes, such as alloy 825 and Hastelloy alloy C-22, will be attempted. The kinetics of these reactions will also be studied on CDA-715.

# f. Effect of Welding on Localized Corrosion

The initial activity in this program will be to evaluate the microstructures of fusion welded and friction welded samples. The initial corrosion tests on these welded samples will be in accelerated, laboratory environments designed to show relative performance of welds and base metal. For the stainless steels and the Ni-base alloys, these tests may be variants of ASTM G-48 (6% Ferric chloride) or ASTM G-28B tests. The

tests will be done on welds made by fusion welding and by friction welding. For the Cu-base alloys, the appropriate corrosion tests are not known at the time and only metallographic investigation will be conducted.

## Subtask 1.1.4 Long-term Corrosion Studies

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The major objective of any long-term test is to gain an understanding of the degradation kinetics in environments similar to the repository environment. However, because of the design life requirement of 1000 years and longer, complete simulation of repository conditions is not a viable approach for laboratory testing. Hence, the long-term tests will concentrate on the following tasks:

- Determining the corrosion kinetics in more aggressive environments, such as those containing higher chloride, and then extrapolating the results to low chloride environments using results from previous experiments.
- Evaluation of episodic conditions that result in drying and wetting cycles.
- Evaluation of radiolysis effects on corrosion in aggressive environments similar to those proposed in Task 1.

### JUSTIFICATION

The repository thermal conditions dictate that the environment is likely to be gaseous for long periods of time. Hence, corrosion in air plus steam mixtures is an important consideration. Previous investigations [6] have shown that in these gaseous environments the corrosion rate of stainless steels is quite low and hence is not of concern as a degradation mode. Exposure to the gaseous environments can have an effect on subsequent localized corrosion in an aqueous environment. In addition, other processes need to be considered that may either alter the steam environment or, due to episodic events, produce an aqueous environment. Radiolysis of steam/air mixture has been shown to produce oxidizing components such as nitrates [14], resulting in high corrosion rate of Cu base alloys. Periodic wetting by water intrusion or condensation of droplets followed by drying and rewetting cycles may produce great increases in salt concentration at the surfaces. Finally, the nature and kinetics of the passive films formed in steam at these temperatures is not known. Presence of crevices between the bottom of the containers and the floor or between the sides and the bore hole walls may alter the environment within the crevices. While many studies of the effect of crevices in altering aqueous environments have been conducted, crevice chemistry in a gaseous environment is not well known.

#### ACTIVITIES

The experimental program will concentrate on the following aspects initially: exposure to a gaseous environment, an alternating equeous/gaseous environment, an aqueous environment, and long-term exposure to gaseous environment followed by tests in aqueous environments.

1. The apparatus for the gaseous corrosion studies will consist of a glass vessel equipped with appropriate ports from which samples will be exposed by mounting them flush to the vessel walls. The samples will be heated from outside to simulate the internally heated containers. Exposure of specimens to steam for time periods ranging from a few weeks to 5 years are planned. These specimens will be removed periodically for weight-loss measurements and visual examination. This will also prevent condensation of moisture on the samples. The temperature

of the steam will be monitored. Some of the samples removed after various periods of long-term exposure to the gaseous environments will be immersed without cleaning in aqueous solutions, and the surface passive film characteristics will be compared to fresh samples by electrochemical techniques (a.c. Impedance spectroscopy as well as d.c. polarization techniques).

- 2. The same type of apparatus will be used for the wet/dry environmental testing. In this case, the cell will be half filled with solution and the cell will be periodically turned over so that the samples that were previously completely immersed will now be dry and vice versa. Electrochemical potential will be monitored with time when the samples are immersed in the electrolyte. Samples will be examined periodically through a stereoscope for pitting/crevice corrosion. The aqueous environment will be recirculated from a reservoir which will be periodically refreshed by new solution. The composition of the solution will be both simulated and natural J-13 water, but other solutions augmented with chloride will also be tested.
- 3. A third aspect of the long-term program will be immersion tests in an aqueous environment such as simulated J-13 water or higher chloride variants. The higher chloride content will be chosen to reflect a realistic upper bound (e.g., 1000 ppm). The samples will contain a number of intentional crevices by the placement of a washer of a material such as zirconia. They will be immersed in a constant temperature bath for relatively long duration and removed periodically for inspection. It is possible in this test to evaluate both pitting of open samples and crevice corrosion due to intentional crevices created between the samples and zirconia. The test procedures will be similar to those outlined in ASTM G-48 and G-46. The samples will be examined periodically for signs of crevice corrosion and pitting under a stereoscope.

## Tests Under y-Radiation

Further long-term localized corrosion testing will involve testing under conditions of γ-radiation using the Co source available at the Institute. This can be done by any or all three of the methods outlined above. This type of testing will be especially of interest in the case of the Cu-base alloys. Tests will concentrate on wet/dry-type environment and dry steam plus air environment. These tests are planned after experience from tests under non-irradiated conditions is gained. The radiation facilities will be evaluated in coordination with the research staff from NRC as well as the Institute and Center staff prior to commencement of the test program. It is envisioned that after the initial phase of the long-term corrosion test, a test plan for experiments under γ-radiation will be formulated and submitted to the NRC for approval.

## Subtask 1.2 Internal Corrosion

#### OBJECTIVE

Evaluate the potential for internal corrosion of the candidate container materials due to the possible presence of internal moisture.

### JUSTIFICATION

Most of the prior investigations have concentrated on the degradation of the containers from the external environment. The assumption in this has been that the internal environment will be dry. However, presence of moisture can lead to a high pressure, aqueous environment inside the container and cause many of the same corrosion processes that have been investigated for the external environment. Additional factors such as galvanic contact with fuel cladding and other internal metallic wastes can also play a role in the internal corrosion or cracking. It is premature at this stage to propose a well-defined experimental program. However,

preliminary investigation of the internal chemistry as a result of the presence of moisture should be undertaken with the objective of defining future experiments for both DOE- and NRC-sponsored research programs.

### ACTIVITY

The activities in this program will consist essentially of taking stock of the possible inventory inside the container and evaluating the consequent chemistry inside as a function of time. No experiments are planned at this time. A critical review report will be the product of this initial phase of the program. It may be necessary after this review to formulate a more detailed experimental plan.

## TASK 2 - STRESS CORROSION CRACKING

The overall objectives of this task can be summarized as follows:

- To assess, select and develop adequate experimental techniques for measuring initiation and propagation of environmentally assisted cracks in the candidate alloys.
- To develop a phenomenological understanding of the critical steps in the initiation and propagation of environmentally assisted cracks for the candidate materials and determine how these steps are affected by mechanical, metallurgical, and environmental variables.
- To perform stress corrosion cracking tests under well defined environmental conditions simulating those expected at the repository site that can yield data useful for long-term prediction.

Stress corrosion cracking (SCC) or, in other terms, environmentally assisted cracking under sustained loading conditions, is one of the most undesirable failure modes for container materials because its occurrence is extremely difficult to predict on the basis of current knowledge. It is well known that the development of new alloys or the use of commercial alloys in new processes and applications has been accompanied almost inevitably by the occurrence of failures attributed to SCC.

Two illustrative examples are the environmentally assisted cracking of Zircaloy-4 nuclear fuel cladding in the presence of iodine as a fission product [19] and the rupture of Ti-6Al-4V tanks filled with N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> during pressure testing in the course of the Apollo Program [20]. In both cases it was not possible to predict the SCC susceptibility of the Zirconium and Titanium alloys in the expected environment prior to the failures. Once the failures occurred, an extensive experimental program was conducted to identify the chemical species responsible for the initiation and propagation of cracks and define the related stress conditions required for crack initiation and growth. Finally, appropriate countermeasures were adopted to avoid new failures.

It is important to note, however, that the knowledge acquired in both cases could not be incorporated to a generalized and well established theory on SCC. Mechanistic ideas were suggested to explain the chemical and metallurgical processes involved but without the possibility of making fruitful generalizations. Nowadays, despite the significant progress made in the interpretation of many aspects of the phenomenon, a theory based on fundamental concepts of physical metallurgy, mechanics and electrochemistry does not yet exist.

In addition, there is not yet a fully accepted empirical model able to be used for estimating with confidence crack growth rates on the assumption that a crack preexists or can be initiated early in the service life of the container. It should be noted that only in recent years there have been attempts to develop quantitative models for predicting crack growth rates [21,22]. The estimations are confined to time scales corresponding to the expected life of nuclear power plants (40 years). However, additional data are still needed

to evaluate the accuracy of these predictions, even for such a limited time span as compared to that required for a nuclear waste repository.

In the testing programs conducted by Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) and by Cortest Columbus, attempts were made to obtain experimental data applicable to the conditions expected, at least initially, at the repository site. However, changes with time in the environmental conditions cannot be predicted with confidence at the present time.

For all these reasons there is a need for the development of a sound experimental basis to compare the data with qualitative or semi-quantitative predictions arising from the most widely accepted models of stress corrosion cracking. As noted above, there is no model of stress corrosion cracking which can be used with confidence to generate quantitative predictions of failure times, crack growth rate, etc., for the candidate materials. Therefore, a sensible approach is to correlate experimental data obtained under a variety of environmental conditions which are related to those expected at the repository site with existing models to test their validity. A second step will be improving those models that appear to be more adequate for a quantitative treatment of the experimental results.

We expect that, in the course of this research program, the critical steps in the initiation and propagation of stress corrosion cracks can be identified, and the dependence of SCC on mechanical, metallurgical, and environmental variables can be expressed in a quantitative manner, amenable to reliable and independent experimental confirmation.

The evaluation of several SCC testing methods is an important aspect of this research program. The advantages and limitations of different techniques will be carefully assessed taking into consideration that reliable experimental data needed for long-term prediction must be acquired through prolonged tests.

The overall research program is planned for a period of 5 years. Several partial objectives corresponding to different subtasks, as described below, will be accomplished during the initial 2 years.

# Subtask 2.1 Critical Assessment of Test Techniques Used to Generate SCC Data on Container Materials

## OBJECTIVE

Perform a critical review of the SCC test techniques available for evaluating the candidate alloys in environments of interest for the tuff repository site.

#### JUSTIFICATION

A critical review of the currently available SCC test techniques is needed to assess their validity as adequate tools for long-term prediction. However, as emphasized in recent publications [23,24], the selection of appropriate techniques cannot be satisfactorily accomplished without having some knowledge of the relevant processes controlling crack initiation and growth. Therefore, a complete review of the information available on the stress corrosion cracking susceptibility of the candidate materials is required, as well as a reasonable description of the environmental conditions which may prevail at the repository site. The validity of different test methods and experimental techniques should be assessed considering their application to the mechanistic understanding of the phenomenon, in addition to their usefulness as tools for long-term prediction.

The issue of accelerated laboratory tests vs service conditions must be evaluated considering environmental factors (temperature effects, solution composition, applied potential vs. open circuit potential) in addition to stressing or straining methods.

## ACTIVITIES

The reports prepared by LLNL [25,26], Cortest Columbus [1] and NIST [27] will be reviewed and updated on the basis of more recent information. The review will essentially provide guidelines to interpret relevant results on the basis of the more accepted models for stress corrosion cracking as a preliminary test to check their applicability and validity. The merits of different test methods will be compared by considering the quality of the data generated and their potential for mechanistic understanding and modeling.

The relevant literature on stress corrosion cracking of Fe-Cr-Ni alloys, as well as that of pure Cu and Cu-based alloys will be reviewed. Particular attention will be paid to the behavior of these materials in environments that resemble those expected to be encountered at the proposed repository site. However, emphasis will be given to the study of different mechanistic theories or models proposed for a wide variety of materials and environmental conditions, since at the present time there is not a unique, accepted interpretation of this complex phenomenon. On the contrary, it has been suggested that various mechanisms may exist or even coexist covering a spectrum of behaviors for different alloy/environment systems [28].

The review process will be used essentially as a guiding tool for the design of relevant experiments to test the validity of a given model and enhance its predictive capability by suitable improvements. It will provide also an assessment of the different techniques taking into consideration two aspects: 1) data acquisition for long-term prediction of service behavior; and 2) quantitative evaluation of environmental and mechanical factors leading to an improved phenomenological characterization. It is expected that this combined approach could be fruitful for improving current models (task to be carried out in a parallel program) or, if it is not the case, will demonstrate the need for a deep and thorough reevaluation of the concepts prevailing in this field of corrosion science.

A report will be issued upon completion of this subtask.

# Subtask 2.2 Slow Strain Rate Tests (SSRT)

### OBJECTIVE

To determine the environmental conditions that may promote stress corrosion cracking of the candidate alloys.

#### JUSTIFICATION

Previous work conducted by Cortest [29], as well as work performed under DOE sponsorship [9], did not show indications of stress corrosion cracking for AJSI 304L SS in solutions prepared with simulated J-13 well water and the additions of CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> or NaCl, even at very high Cl concentrations (1000 ppm), in slow strain rate tests (SSRT) conducted at 90°C. The concern has been raised that the SSRT may be not appropriate to reveal transgranular stress corrosion cracking (TGSCC) of solution annealed austenitic stainless steels in chloride-containing solutions as compared to constant deformation or constant load tests. However, since the susceptibility to TGSCC is affected by Cl concentration, pH, temperature and potential, it is possible that minor variations in the environmental conditions and/or the surface or near-surface properties of the material (roughness, cold work, surface films, etc.) are critical for the occurrence of environmentally assisted cracking. In particular, it is expected that the nucleation and growth of pits or the presence of a crevice, both leading to localized environmental conditions characterized by low pH values and high aggressive anion concentration, may facilitate the initiation of cracks. These conditions can be reached after long exposure times in U-bend or constant load tests but they may not be attainable through the short duration of a slow strain rate test.

It should be noted, however, that some authors [30-33] have successfully used slow strain rate technique to study the transgranular cracking of AISI 304 SS in boiling MgCl<sub>2</sub> solutions and in acidic chloride solutions (NaCl + Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) at room temperature.

### ACTIVITIES

The initial part of this subtask will be conducted by Cortest during the FY90-91 period. Testing will be confined in principle to AISI 304L SS. Depending on the results of the Cortest program, several tests will be conducted at the Center to explore the effect of pre-exposure conditions on cracking susceptibility and the extension of the testing program to AISI 316L SS, Alloy 825 and Hastelloy C-22. A detailed test matrix will be developed on the basis of the Cortest results and the results on Subtask 1.3 where the combined effect of different anions on localized corrosion is studied. It is anticipated that an important aspect to consider is the effect of surface films preformed in moist air at temperatures ranging from 100° to 280°C on the susceptibility to SCC in aqueous environments at 95°C.

Initially, the susceptibility of Copper-based alloys to SCC in selected environments will be studied with the SSRT. The effect of environmental variables will be evaluated by considering temperature, pH and concentration of various aggressive anions. The principal species to be considered is NO<sub>2</sub>, which is formed by radiolysis of humid air, through nitrogen oxides as intermediates. It is known that NO<sub>2</sub> promotes cracking of pure Cu and α-brass, but the effect on CDA-613 (Cu-7Al-2Fe) has not been investigated. Experiments conducted recently at Argonne National Laboratory (57) have shown that, in the presence of γ-radiation, NH, can be formed in humid air. This observation suggests that in the repository site where mild oxidizing conditions prevail, the presence of NH<sub>3</sub> in the environment cannot be disregarded. Therefore, NH<sub>3</sub>, which is a causative agent for the environmentally induced cracking of Cu alloys, will be included in the testing program.

Another N-based species to consider is NO<sub>3</sub>, which is present in J-13 well water and can be formed also by radiolysis of humid air. In addition, the susceptibility to cracking will be explored in SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2</sup>-containing solutions and eventually in solutions with various SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2</sup>/Cl ratios. Although there are no reported cases of cracking for the selected Cu-based alloys in Cl containing solutions, it is important to explore the behavior in simulated natural waters containing HCO<sub>3</sub> as the predominant anion and variable concentrations of NO<sub>3</sub>, SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2</sup>. Cl and other species of interest.

The experimental approach will be based on slow strain rate tests under well-defined potential conditions. Base line tests will be conducted under potentiostatic control to define potential ranges and environmental conditions in terms of solution composition, pH, temperature, etc., in which the candidate alloys may be susceptible to SCC. Selected tests will be conducted under open circuit conditions in the presence of oxidizing species, such as  $O_2$ ,  $H_2O_2$ ,  $Cu^{2*}$ ,  $Fe^{3*}$ , etc., to check the validity of the approach based on potentiostatic tests. In these tests the potential will be continuously monitored.

Eventually, the effect of strain rate on SCC susceptibility will be evaluated. The interest on studying strain rate effects is related to mechanistic interpretations and, hence, it will be specifically considered for each alloy group.

A test plan for this subtask will be submitted prior to the initiation of the experimental program. On the basis of the results of the full factorial tests and Cortest's results, as well as the evaluation of the available literature, a selection of the environments and representative alloys to be tested, testing conditions, and other relevant experimental details, will be described in the test plan. Appropriate test materials will be presented and preliminary experiments to better define the testing conditions will be included in the test plan, as appropriate.

## Subtask 2.3 Short-term Constant Deflection Tests

#### **OBJECTIVE**

To study surface/environment conditions leading to SCC initiation.

### **JUSTIFICATION**

Most of the mechanistic interpretations of SCC deal with the propagation stage. However, in many of the cases of SCC failure, there is indirect evidence that the initiation stage is the dominant term in the lifetime of the component. In this regard the process of film formation, and the alteration of the film properties by environmental changes, should be properly addressed to understand the initiation process in alloys covered with protective, passive films such as the austenitic stainless steels and nickel-base alloys. In addition, pits or the presence of crevice areas may lead to accelerated initiation of cracks. For the alloys of interest, it is important to evaluate the surface conditions that affect crack initiation. Similar considerations should be applied to the Cu-base alloys. In this case, however, the surface films are not so protective and according to some models the kinetics of film growth play a significant role in the crack propagation process.

An additional interest in this subtask is the comparison of results obtained with different techniques. For this purpose results obtained in Subtask 2.2 by using slow strain rate tests will be compared with those obtained with constant deflection tests.

### ACTIVITIES

Constant deflection specimens will be used for these initiation studies. Initially, U-bend specimens will be tested to compare different surface preparation conditions, including pre-exposure in moist air leading to the formation of surface films. Particular attention will be paid to the effect of chemical composition changes on the surface of austenitic Ni-base alloys on the SCC susceptibility as related to heat treatment and surface preparation (see Subtask 1.2).

Microscopic examination of specimens removed from the environment at definite time intervals will be used as a preliminary method to measure crack initiation times. However, it is anticipated that other techniques, to be evaluated in Subtask 2.1, will be implemented to detect "in-situ" the initiation of cracks.

The effect of a crevice geometry on the eventual a constant of crack initiation will be studied under well defined and reproducible conditions. Different geometries will be evaluated and due consideration will be given to non-metal (e.g., ceramics)/metal crevices.

One of the principal environments of interest for the Fe-Cr-Ni alloys is air saturated with water vapor at temperatures ranging from 100° to 350°C in the presence or absence of radiation. Since experiments in this medium can be conveniently conducted in an autoclave, aqueous solutions of varying composition containing the anions present in J-13 water will be used simultaneously as a testing environment to evaluate the effect of the nature and concentration of halide (F; Cl;) anions on the initiation of cracks, as well as the role of passivating anions such as NO<sub>3</sub>; SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2</sup>, as potential inhibitors or cracking suppressors. The influence of pH as related to the CO<sub>2</sub>/HCO<sub>3</sub> equilibrium and the relative predominance of OH over H\* ions will be also evaluated.

Similar environments will be used for Cu-base alloys. In this case, however, the role of N-containing species as cracking promoters will be explored in more detail. In addition, it should be noted that CDA-715

(Cu-30Ni), which is the most resistant of the selected copper alloys to environmentally assisted cracking in the presence of nitrogen compounds, was found to be susceptible to cracking in high temperature steam [34].

In the first 2 years of this program, no testing in the presence of radiation is anticipated. However, specimens previously exposed to water saturated air at temperatures ranging from 100° to 280°C will be tested in aqueous solution at a lower temperature to determine the effect of preformed surface films on the crack initiation time. The effect of other surface conditions (e.g., as-machined vs. mechanically polished surfaces) will be investigated also.

A focus of this activity will be the study of microscopic features on the specimen surface that may be related to crack initiation, such as presence of inclusions, second-phase particles, etc., as well as the properties and characteristics of the oxide films formed in gaseous and aqueous environments. Surface analytical techniques will be used to characterize the oxides.

A detailed test plan will be submitted for this task. Alloys to be tested, specimen configurations, environments, and additional testing conditions will be described in detail.

## Subtask 2.4 Long-term SCC Tests

### OBJECTIVE

To obtain long-term SCC data to confirm trends observed in short term testing and enhance predictive capability with a more extended data base.

### JUSTIFICATION

Although any reasonable testing time in the laboratory could be considered extremely short in terms of confirming SCC predictions required for the nuclear waste repository conditions, it is necessary to conduct some confirmatory research on the alloys tested by DOE. In addition, long-term testing extended over a period of 3-4 years will generate data useful to check the validity of some predictive models for SCC.

#### ACTIVITIES

One of the limitations for designing a sound long-term testing program is the lack of a precise knowledge of the environment that can be expected at the proposed repository site over an extended period of time (e.g., hundreds of years). As a matter of fact, it is expected that the environment will change with time in a manner that is not currently predictable. The most appropriate criterion to confront this issue is the design of a model environment which, in addition to having a well-defined chemical composition, may retain some of the significant characteristics of the environment expected, at least initially, at the repository site. This environment can be used for a careful checking of the current mechanistic theories under well controlled conditions in terms of physical-metallurgical and surface properties of the materials, loading or stress patterns, and electrochemical or physicochemical definition of the relevant interfaces (e.g., electrode potentials or chemical potentials [gas fugacities] measured on free surfaces and in cracks or crevices). It is expected that the development of the subtasks 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 will lead during the course of one year to the choice of an appropriate environment for long-term testing.

Long-term exposures will be extremely useful in this testing program to obtain accurate crack propagation rates and explore processes associated with crack growth acceleration or arrest and eventually crack blunting. In addition, it is assumed that under various environmental conditions, or at least for the less

aggressive ones, long initiation times may be required before a crack starts to propagate with a sustained rate. This assumption should be experimentally confirmed by appropriate testing.

Different types of specimens will be used in these tests. For crack propagation studies, modified wedge opening loading (WOL) specimens with instrumented bolts [35] will be adopted for monitoring crack growth on a continuous basis.

For tests under constant deflection, 4-point bend samples will be used to define more precisely the stressing conditions. Eventually, constant load tests will be implemented to overcome problems of reproducibility if required.

All long-term tests will be conducted under open circuit conditions. However, the environmental conditions will be carefully controlled and provisions to measure at appropriate intervals the corrosion potentials and other variables of interest, such as pH, redox potential, etc., will be adopted.

As in the other subtasks of Task 3, a detailed work plan will be submitted for NRC approval prior to the initiation of the testing program. The results obtained in Subtask 2.2 and 2.3 will be used to define the scope of this test plan.

## TASK 3 - MATERIALS STABILITY

Behavior of materials depends on the environment to which they are exposed. The response is a result of iterative interaction between the material and the changing environment, which can lead to changes in the surface or bulk properties of the material. The resulting changes could influence the useful service-life and the acceptability of the material for fabricating components for a particular application. Examples of surface alteration/degradation phenomena are oxidation and corrosion of metals in gaseous, vapor, and aqueous phases, while an example of a bulk alteration/degradation phenomenon is solid-state diffusion of elements in alloys over long periods of time, producing embrittling phases and pathways more susceptible to attack by gaseous, vapor or aqueous phases.

In the first part of the program under Task 3, Materials Stability of Candidate HLW Container Materials, three higher priority subtasks will be initiated covering both surface and bulk materials properties alteration/degradation phenomena. Experimental work related to rediation effects on material stability (degradation phenomena) will be deferred until FY92 or later. There will, however, be some activities in the areas of radiation effects on degradation behavior of the waste package materials during FY91 and FY92, mostly related to reviews of literature and DOE-generated technical data. The intent would be to identify focused areas of research and prepare plans for experimental work at the CNWRA during the next phase under Task 3 on Materials Stability. The experimental projects identified to begin under the first phase of the Task 3 IWPE are given below. Detailed test plans for each of the subtasks will be provided to the NRC separately prior to initiation of the projects.

# Subtask 3.1: Long-Term Materials Stability of HLW Container and Waste Package Materials

- A. Austenitic Materials
   (Alloy 825, Types 304, 304L, and 316L Stainless Steels, and Hastelloy alloy C-22)
- B. Copper-Based Alloys (Oxygen-free High Purity Copper CDA-102, Aluminum-Bronze Alloy CDA-613, and Cupro-Nickel Alloy CDA-715)

 Alternate HLW Container and Waste Package Materials (to be identified later)

Subtask 3.2: Stability of Thick-Oxide Film Formation in Copper and Copper-Based Alloys
(Oxygen-free High Purity Copper CDA-102, Aluminum-Bronze Alloy CDA-613, and
Cupro-Nickel Alloy CDA-715)

Subtask 3.3: Dealloying Phenomenon in Binary Copper-Based Alloys
(Aluminum-Bronze Alloy CDA-613, and Cupro-Nickel Alloy CDA-715)

The overall technical approach in all three subtasks identified above will be to identify and quantify (where possible) the key materials parameters that control the particular degradation modes being investigated, through analyses of existing data and information, and generation of new data. These would include parameters related to raw material, wrought material fabrication techniques, closure processes, and service environment in a geologic repository [36]. Investigations of other factors, which are expected to be associated with the HLW package and are recognized as important, viz. y-radiation emanating from the contents of the HLW package, radiolytic products of gases, vapors and liquids likely to be present in the repository, and heat-transfer across the container/waste package walls due to the heat source within the HLW package, will be factored into the IWPE Task 3 studies at a later date via subtasks that may be initiated in FY92 or later.

# Subtask 3.1 Long-term Materials Stability of HLW Container and Waste Package Materials

PART A: Austenitic Materials

OBJECTIVE

Study the long-term thermal and thermodynamic stability of the metallurgical phases present in the candidate HLW container and waste package materials, and relate the metastability and slow transformations processes to likely failure in a geologic repository environment.

### JUSTIFICATION

A major concern in using austenitic stainless steels for structural applications is their susceptibility to develop a sensitized microstructure when exposed in the 500° to 800°C temperature range [37,38]. Such temperature range exposures could occur during sheet metal production, and container fabrication and welding processes [39]. In the case of HLW containers, high-temperature exposure in the range indicated above would occur during welding closure and possibly during heat treatments that might be used during fabrication of the waste package. It is well-known that microstructural alterations, as a result of the sensitization phase component. Since the low temperature sensitization (LTS) process is very slow, it may not lead to readily observable sensitized microstructure in the short period of time between container fabrication and emplacement in the repository. Although some information is available in the literature on the conditions that could lead to LTS in austenitic materials, no direct relationship has been established between various processing parameters and service conditions that could be present in a repository on the kinetics of the LTS phenomena, such as, container fabrication (residual) stresses, welding, alloying and impurity elements, grain size, prior thermomechanical treatments, amount of cold work, microstructure, morphology and size of second phase or impurity particles, γ-radiation, radiolytic products, and chemistry and oxygen content of the environment.

The information generated through this experimental study will be used in evaluating the DOE selected HLW container material from the austenitic materials family, design, fabrication processes, and process and

product specifications. The data generated would also serve as an input to model development for evaluating the ability of the container fabricated from austenitic materials in meeting the containment requirements of 10 CFR Part 60.

## TASK DESCRIPTION

During FY91, a comprehensive literature survey will be conducted on alloy 825, Types 304, 304L, and 316L austenitic stainless steels, and Hastelloy alloy C-22, to understand the effects of residual stresses, amount of cold work, grain size, welding, post-weld heat treatments, and chemical nature and oxygen content of the test environment, on the activation energy of the LTS phenomena. Based on the existing information and the interpretation of the data and results in the light of the repository service conditions to which the HLW containers are anticipated to be subjected in the geological repository, a test matrix will be prepared to conduct experiments principally on alloy 825 [41,42]. However, specimens of Types 304, 304L, and 316L stainless steels and Hastelloy alloy C-22, will also be included in the tests as reference specimens and for calibrating the CNWRA test procedure with DOE and literature published information. Included in the investigations will be the sensitivity of various experimental techniques in quantifying the degree of sensitization, the susceptibility of microstructures of varying degrees of sensitization to intergranular (IG) and intergranular stress corrosion cracking (IGSCC) attacks [43,44]. Standard metallurgical laboratory practices and examination techniques will be used to obtain the test data. These would include metallography, optical and scanning electron microscopy, fractography, electron microprobe analysis, x-ray diffraction, and Auger electron spectroscopy, as appropriate and necessary. Testing would include slow strain rate tests and tensile tests on samples before and after giving sensitizing treatments [45]. The test samples will be exposed to the sensitizing environment for periods ranging from a few days to several years. This subtask investigations are expected to continue through FY95.

Additional tests to study the effects of alloying elements, heat-to-heat variations, amount and morphology of second-phase particles and impurities, y-radiation, and radiolytic products of air, moisture, and liquids on the LTS phenomena will be considered after analyzing the effects of the parameters being studied in the FY91 and FY92 test matrices.

PART B: Copper-Based Alloys

OBJECTIVE

Study and understand the kinetics of very slow transformations and thermodynamic stability of copper and copper-based candidate alloys for HLW container materials.

### JUSTIFICATION

Some of the materials being considered for the HLW waste package components are known to be thermodynamically unstable. Except for high purity copper, all other candidate container materials are single phase alloys of two or more elements, which could possibly undergo phase separation or transformations resulting in thermodynamically more stable multi-phase microstructure or single-phase structure with second-phase particles or intermetallic compounds. There is a concern that more stable phases, in some cases, may have undesirable or unacceptable characteristics, e.g., lack of adequate ductility, high susceptibility to attack by oxygenated waters or radiolytic products of repository gases, vapors, and liquids, electrochemically anodic to other phase(s) in the microstructure which may lead to a localized galvanic corrosion cell on a microscopic scale, etc., [53, 54]. The kinetics of these very slow transformations, thermodynamic instability of the metallurgical phases, and the properties of resultant more stable microstructure need to be studied and understood in order to determine the acceptability of DOE-selected material for fabricating waste package components for a geological repository.

## TASK DESCRIPTION

Activities under thic task will initially involve a literature search and evaluation of the phase equilibria, thermodynamic and mechanical stability, and fabrication data and information presented on candidate copper and copper-based alloys for HLW container and waste package components.

The experimental work will involve a kinetics study of phase transformation processes that lead to thermodynamically stable intermetallic phases, decomposition of metastable single-phase into a two or more phase microstructure, segregation of phosphorous at grain boundaries in copper, segregation of alumina at grain boundaries in aluminum bronzes, migration of dispersed iron particles in cupro-nickel and aluminum-bronzes (leading to degradation in corrosion resistance in cupro-nickel alloys, and loss of mechanical strength in aluminum bronzes), etc. It is anticipated that some of the published binary and ternary phase diagrams will have to be validated, and additional ones will have to be generated for particular isotherms of interest. Details of experimental plan(s) under this subtask will be submitted to the NRC prior to initiation of the project.

PART C: Alternate HLW Container and Waste Package Materials

## **OBJECTIVE**

Study and understand the kinetics of thermodynamic stability and degradation kinetics in order to determine the suitability of alternate materials for HLW container and waste package components.

[This part of the subtask has been deferred until FY92 or later. Detaits will be provided at a later date.]

# Subtask 3.2 Stability of Thick-Oxide Film Formation in Copper and Copper-Based Alloys

## **OBJECTIVE**

Study the kinetics of thick-oxide film formation, spallation, and regeneration in copper and copper-based alloys.

### JUSTIFICATION

The behavior of copper and its alloys depend, to a large extent, on the properties and maintenance of a protective surface film. The oxide films that form on copper-based alloys, in gaseous or aqueous environments, are generally adherent and follow a parabolic growth kinetics, when the oxide thickness is small. However, much less is known about thick films, which are likely to be generated in a repository over the long service-life of the HLW container (spanning hundreds to thousands of years). There is already some evidence that thick oxide films formed on some of the candidate copper-based alloys for the HLW container are susceptible to spallation [46,47]. The mechanism of spallation and regeneration of thick surface films under extended exposures to varying environments, gaseous, vapor, and liquids, is not very well understood. However, such information is necessary in order to evaluate the ability of the surface films to provide protection for the base metal, i.e., in determining the acceptability of the material for fabrication of HLW containers. This would be accomplished through understanding the kinetics of formation, spallation, and the regeneration of thick surface films under repository conditions. It is presently assumed that the repository environment will be dry, followed by the presence of a vapor phase, and finally there is a possibility of water intrusion. It is also essential that the investigations cover the much less studied and understood phenomenon of aqueous corrosion of copper and copper-based alloys with pre-film of oxide(s) formed in gaseous and/or vapor phases.

### TASK DESCRIPTION

The experimental activities at CNWRA will involve study of thin as well as thick-oxide formation, spallation, and regeneration kinetics. The intent is to develop mechanistic understanding of the oxidation and corrosion phenomena as related to the ability of the surface oxide film to provide protection of the base metal against degradation. Identification of the factors controlling the spallation of thick-oxide film is a key to such an understanding [48]. The emphasis would be on developing kinetics (rate) equations which would take into account factors such as the alloy composition, to appearance of exposure, environment (gaseous, vapor, or liquid), and sequence in which the oxide-film is formed in varying environment. Data generated will be used to develop simple computer model(s) which can be used to evaluate the DOE materials selection and HLW container design.

Experiments will involve exposing coupons of copper and copper-based alloys to gaseous, vapor, and liquid environments for various lengths of time, and evaluating the surface oxide film formation characteristics. Various sequence of oxidation and aqueous corrosion cycles will be used to simulate possible episodic events in a geologic repository, where a period of water intrusion may be followed by a dry or relatively dry period, followed by another wet environment exposure. Such tests could possibly reveal that the surface oxide films provide much lower protection for the base metal than once believed, e.g., exposure of copper and copper-based alloys to alternating dry and wet conditions may lead to spallation of the oxide film at much lower thicknesses or that the surface films formed under such alternating environments may be less dense (porous or fissured or fractured) and may allow local channels for the repository environment to interact with and degrade the base metal under the surface oxide film much faster. Tests will be performed in controlled environments in autoclaves, and are expected to continue into FY92 and beyond. Standard laboratory practices and metallurgical examinations will be used in studying the characteristics of the surface oxide films, including metallography, optical and scanning microscopy, electron microprobe analysis, Auger spectroscopic analyses, and x-ray diffraction techniques. The details of the test matrix will be provided to the NRC separately prior to initiation of the experiment program.

# Subtask 3.3 Dealloying (Selective Leaching) Phenomena in Binary Copper-Based Alloys

#### OBJECTIVE

Study the phenomenon of dealloying (selective leaching) in binary copper-based alloys (Aluminum-Bronze CDA-613, and Cupro-Nickel CDA-715), and develop an understanding of the mechanism of dealloying and kinetics of the reaction.

## JUSTIFICATION

Dealloying is a corrosion process in which the more active metal (less noble) is selectively removed (leached) from an alloy, leaving behind a weak spongy structure of more noble metal [49,50]. Unless arrested, dealloying eventually affects the entire bulk of the metal, weakening it structurally and allowing the contents (gases, liquids or leached solids) to be released through the porous mass in the remaining structure. Such a phenomenon, if it occurs in the materials of construction of the HLW package, could compromise its ability to provide the required level of containment for its radioactive contents.

Dealloying of aluminum has been reported in aluminum-bronzes (copper-aluminum alloys), and is especially severe in alloys with continuous γ-phase [51,52]. No effective minor alloying additions have been found for aluminum-bronzes, but heat treatment offers some promise of success in limiting delamination-type of dealloying (one of the two common types). Dealloying of nickel in cupro-nickel alloys, although less common than dealloying in aluminum-bronzes, has been observed at temperatures above 100°C, low flow

conditions, and high local heat flux. These service conditions could occur in the repository during the period in which the HLW package is required to provide containment for its radioactive contents.

## TASK DESCRIPTION

In the tests at the Center, copper-aluminum alloy CDA-613 and copper-nickel alloy CDA-715 will be exposed in general-corrosion and accelerated tests simulating the proposed repository environment (as far as practical) to determine the extent of dealloying in the two candidate alloys for the HLW containers. Included in this experimental program is development of a standardized procedure for evaluating the dealloying resistance of the two alloys being investigated. [No standardized procedure for studying dealloying phenomenon in copper-based alloys exists at present]. The procedure will include standardized specimen preparation and examination techniques. The test specimens, after exposure to dealloying environment, will be examined visually and at low-magnification for color changes, for the type of dealloying (plug or delamination), microcracking, severity of dealloying, uniformity of surface oxide coverage, morphology of dealloyed plugs and layers, and other qualitative information obtainable through nondestructive examinations.

Quantitative data will be obtained through a combination of nondestructive and destructive examinations, e.g., through specimen weighings to determine the metal wastage, and through metallographic examination to measure the depth of attack and geometry of the crack/attack front. [Such information is important, as cracks formed due to dealloying could act as locations for initiation of stress corrosion cracking (SCC)]. The test specimens, after periodic exposure, will be characterized for the dealloyed plugs and layers using optical and scanning electron microscopy. Energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS) and other techniques like x-ray diffraction and Auger electron spectroscopy (AES) will be used, as appropriate, for identification of the surface film(s) including composition and phases. Limited specimens may be exposed to simulated radiolysis products likely to be present in a geologic repository. [Tests involving  $\gamma$ -radiation are deferred until later]. The test specimens used for studying the dealloying phenomena are likely to yield additional useful information about the alloys investigated, e.g., general (uniform) corrosion, crevice corrosion, pitting corrosion, filiform-type corrosion, grain boundary attack, etc.

It is planned to initiate the dealloying tests using coupons immersed in liquid phase at room temperature, at 95°C, and using heated (250° to 300°C) coupons exposed to vapor phase. In addition to these static tests, a limited number of coupons will be tested in slowly renewing water (dynamic test) at 95°C, and by using an experimental set-up that will allow heated (250° to 300°C) test specimens to be exposed to periodically dripping droplets of liquid with and without simulated radiolytic products. The tests are designed to be of intermediate-term. As such, the coupons are expected to accumulate 1 to 5 years exposure before the tests are terminated. Initiation of experimental activities related to this subtask have been deferred until FY92. A test plan will be submitted for approval at that time.

# TASK 4 - MICROBIOLOGICALLY INFLUENCED CORROSION

### OBJECTIVE

To evaluate the possibility that microbiologically influenced corrosion (MIC) is a viable degradation process for the candidate alloys.

## JUSTIFICATION

The concern regarding localized corrosion of metallic materials induced or stimulated by the presence of microorganisms and/or its metabolic products has extended to the area of high level nuclear waste disposal

in geologic repositories [1,25]. Although high radiation fields and elevated temperatures are anticipated in the repository following closure, the growth of microbial colonies cannot be disregarded after several hundreds of years. It is now well established [55,56] that a variety of bacteria and microorganisms are able to promote severe localized corrosion of stainless steels and Copper-based alloys under appropriate conditions. For these reasons it is necessary assess the possibility that MIC may affect the integrity of the containers.

### ACTIVITIES

A limited effort will be devoted initially to this subtask. A review of the literature and consultation with microbiologists specialized in underground facilities (mining industry, mineral leaching, etc.) will be the approach used to define if some level of experimental work is needed after the end of FY 1992. A report covering the relevant information will be published. A test plan for the experimental work will be submitted afterwards.

## TASK 5 - OTHER DEGRADATION MODES

The main purpose of this task is to collect those degradation modes that do not fall logically into any of the other previous task groupings. These degradation modes may include the degradation of nonmetallic materials if they are chosen as candidates for container materials, coatings (metallic and nonmetallic), and composites.

## Subtask 5.1 Hydrogen Embrittlement Studies

Currently hydrogen embrittlement is being investigated as a possible degradation mode. The activity is being carried out at the Ohio State University (OSU), through a subcontract with the Center, the principal investigator being Dr. B. E. Wilde. The scope of this work has been described in other documents (NRC contract NRC-02-88-005, SwRI subcontract No. 65582, Project 20-3606-107). Hence, the scope will not be restated here.

### ACTIVITY

The program being carried out at the Ohio State University is projected to end by the end of calendar year 1990. Currently, most of the tasks in this program have been on schedule. The results of the program will be mainly:

- A definition of procedures for measuring hydrogen absorption kinetics in the candidate materials under repository environmental conditions (without the presence of y-radiation).
- A preliminary indication of the potential for hydrogen embrittlement under repository environmental conditions.

A report will be prepared summarizing the work going on at OSU.

The activities at the Center will depend on the results of the OSU program. If, based on the OSU studies, hydrogen embrittlement is considered to be a viable degradation mechanism, further embrittlement studies (both short term tests such as slow strain rate tests and long-term tests such as constant deflection tests) will be conducted at the Center. These tests will also be carried out under conditions of γ-radiation at the Institute's radiation cells. Another important feature of these studies will be the effect of thermal stability on hydrogen embrittlement susceptibility. For example, it has been well documented [18] that in many Ni-Cr-Mo

alloys, long-term aging at low temperatures (200° - 500°C) can induce ordering reactions and grain boundary segregation resulting in enhanced hydrogen embrittlement susceptibility.

A review of possible degradation modes of alternate materials proposed by DOE will be conducted in this task. The review will identify future areas of research in the alternate materials.

## 3.3 Schedules, Milestones, and Deliverables

The milestones, with the schedules, for the six tasks are shown in the Gantt Chart in Figure 3.1. The deliverables in the form of reports, also shown in Figure 3.1, are listed in Table 3.6. Upon approval, these milestones and activities will be incorporated into the integrated Center schedule (see WSE&I Operations Plan).

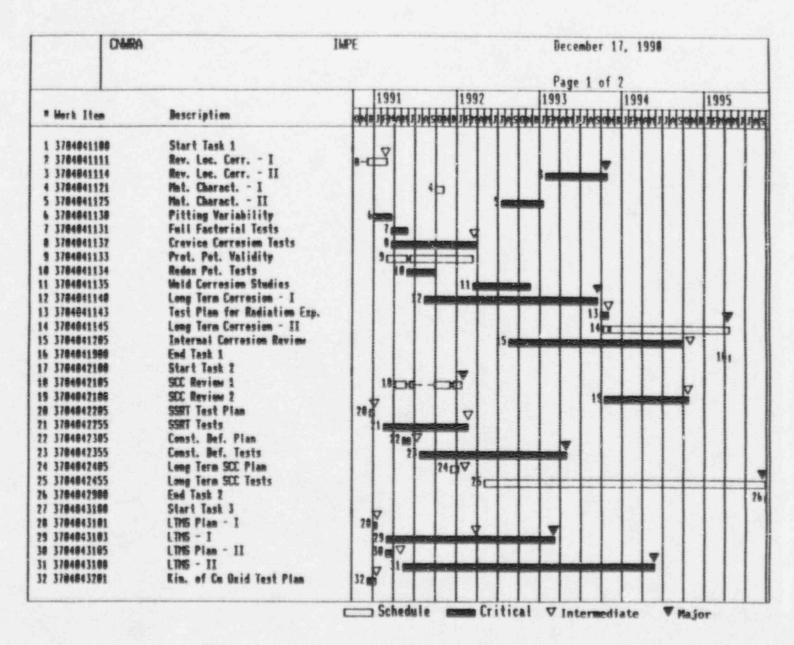


Figure 3.1 Gantt Chart of Activities

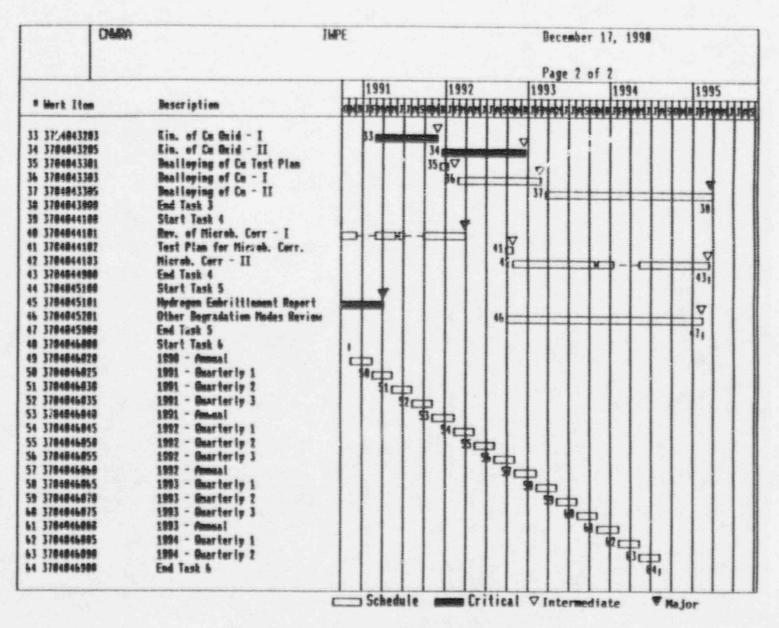


Figure 3.1 Gantt Chart of Activities (cont'd.)

Table 3.6 List of Milestones and Completion Dates

Milestone Number	Task No.	Milestone Type	Deliverable Description	Completion Date
1111	1.1.1	Intermediate	Review Loc. Corrosion - I	02/28/91
1114	1.1.1	Major	Review Loc. Corrosion - II	10/28/93
1132	1.1.241.1.3	Intermediate	Loc. Corr. Exptal. Investigations	03/24/92
1140	1.1.241.1.3	Major	Long-term Corrosion Tests - I	09/15/93
1143	1.1.4	Intermediate	Test Plans for y-Radiation Expts.	11/01/93
1145	1.1.4	Major	Long-term Corrosion Tests - II	04/24/95
1205	1.2	Intermediate	Review of Internal Corrosion	09/27/94
2105	2.1	Major	SCC Review - I	01/24/92
2108	2.1	Intermediate	SCC Review - II	10/24/94
2205	2.2	Intermediate	SSRT Test Plan	01/04/91
2255	2.2	Intermediate	SSRT Test Results	02/19/92
2305	2.3	Intermediate	Constant Deflection Test Plan	06/11/91
2355	2.3	Major	Constant Deflection Test Results	04/30/93
2405	2.4	Intermediate	Long-term SCC Test Plan	01/10/92
2455	2.4	Major	Long-term SCC Test Results	09/28/95
3101	3.1	Intermediate	Long-term Material Stability Test	
3103	3.1	Intermediate	Plan - I (Austenitic Alloys) Long-term Material Stability - I	01/18/91
3104	3.1	Major	(Austenitic Alloys) Long-term Material Stability - I	03/30/92
3105	3.1	Intermediate	(Austenitic Alloys) Long-term Material Stability Test Plan - II (Cu-alloys)	03/08/93
3108	3.1	Major	Long-term Material Stability - II (Cu-alloys)	04/01/91
3201	3.2	Intermediate	Kinetics of Cu-Oxidation Test Plan	03/26/94
3203	3.2	Intermediate	Kinetics of Cu-Oxidation - I	
3205	3.2	Intermediate	Kinetics of Cu-Oxidation - II	11/26/91
3301	3.3	Intermediate	Test Plan for Dealloying	12/21/92
3303	3.3	Intermediate	Dealloying of Cu-alloys - I	01/13/92
3305	3.3	Major	Dealloying of Cu-alloys - II	03/01/93 04/03/95
4101	4.0	Major	Review of Microbiologically	
4102	10		Influenced Corrosion (MIC)	04/01/92
4102	4.0	Intermediate	Test Plans for MIC	10/27/92
4103	4.0	Intermediate	MIC Tests	03/16/95
5101	5.1	Major	Hydrogen Embrittlement Test at OSU	04/04/91
5201	5.2	Intermediate	Review of Degradation Modes of	
			Alternate Materials	02/17/95

Table 3.6 List of Milestones and Completion Dates (cont'd.)

Milestone Number	Milestone Type	Deliverable Description	Completion Date
6020	Major	Annual Report 1990	02/11/91
6025	Intermediate	Quarterly 1991 - 1	05/10/91
6030	Intermediate	Quarterly 1991 - 2	08/09/91
6035	Intermediate	Quarterly 1991 - 3	11/11/91
6040	Major	Annual Report 1991	02/11/92
6045	Intermediate	Quarterly 1992 - 1	05/12/92
6050	Intermediate	Quarterly 1992 - 2	08/11/92
6055	Intermediate	Quarterly 1992 - 3	11/11/92
6060	Major	Annual Report 1992	02/11/93
6065	Intermediate	Quarterly 1993 - 1	05/12/93
6070	Intermedia	Quarterly 1993 - 2	08/11/93
6075	Intermediate	Quarterly 1993 - 3	11/11/93
6080	Major	Annual Report 1993	02/10/94
6085	Intermediate	Quarterly 1994 - 1	05/12/94
6090	Intermediate	Quarterly 1994 - 2	08/11/94
6095	Intermediate	Quarterly 1994 - 3	11/11/94
7100	Major	Annual Report 1994	02/11/95

## 4. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

## 4.1 Organizational Structure and Responsibility

The organizational structure, responsibilities, management and control techniques applicable to the research activities at the Center are fully described in the Center Management Plan. The Integrated Waste Package Experiments (IWPE) Project will be conducted under the Engineered Barrier System (EBS) Program Element. Dr. Prasad Nair will be the Center Project Manager for this project. The task support, direction, and resource allocation relationships are shown in Figure 4.1.

The project is to be conducted in six tasks over a five year period. The project staff support and the project organization are shown in Figure 4.2. The project has made allowance for consultants to provide independent review of technical papers and/or technical reports generated by the project.

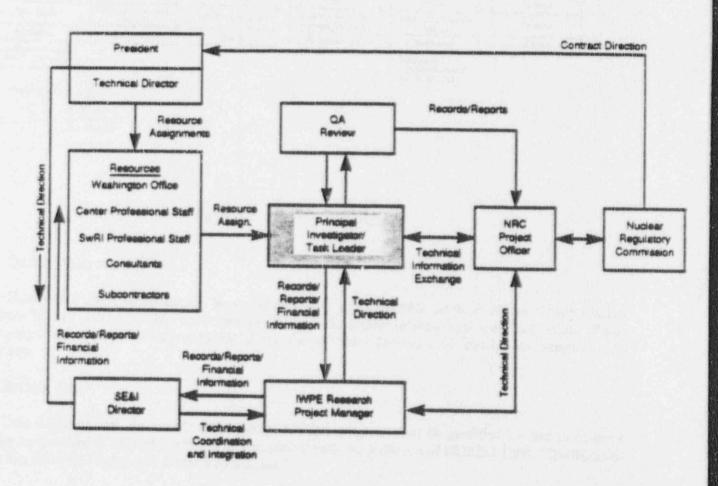


Figure 4.1 Center Management Process for Direction and Control of Research Projects

## 4.2.3 Control of Experiments and Tests

Experiments and tests which may be conducted during the performance of this research project shall be controlled in accordance with CQAM Section 3.7. Technical operating procedures, industry standard methods, and/or scientific notebooks shall prescribe and describe the conduct of experiments and tests. Periodic surveillance by QA staff shall be conducted as described in CQAM Section 3.8.

## 4.2.4 Data Interpretation and Analysis

Interpretation of data both from the literature and from experimental results shall be conducted as specified in CQAM Section 3.9.

## 4.2.5 Reports and Records

The Research Project reports shall receive an independent and/or technical review and Center Management Review as required by CQAM Section 3.10 and applicable technical operating procedures.

## 4.3 Travel

The project personnel will incur expenses for travel and associated subsistence while conducting the business of the Center in support of the IWPE project. The minimum necessary travel anticipated for the project is shown below in Table 4.1. The travel schedule is divided into two periods--FY90, which is a partial year period, and FY91 through FY94. The travel necessary will be undertaken by the appropriate task personnel. The travel falls into five general categories which are described below:

Technical Interchange Meetings: These meetings are primarily intended for collecting information specific to corrosion of candidate materials in the YMP or other materials that are candidates in other geologic repository systems.

DOE/NRC Interaction Meetings: These are trips undertaken to have technical exchange with DOE and its contractors specifically related to technical topics covering testing and prediction methodologies. The meetings will be set up through the appropriate NRC staff.

Technical program review meetings: These are visits to Washington to meet with the NRC staff to discuss the progress in research activities.

Technical Meetings: These are visits to sub-contractors of the Center (e.g., the Ohio State University) and other NRC contractors (e.g., Cortest, NIST) to coordinate research activities.

Conferences/Seminars: These trips are designed for the staff to present technical papers and participate in technical society activities that are relevant to the corrosion and other materials related issues. They will also present opportunities for peer review of the Center's research program.

Table 4.1 Travel Requirements Schedule - Integrated Waste Package Experiments

PURPOSE/	FY91	FY91	FY92	FY92	FY93	FY93	FY94	FY94	
DESTINATION	NO. TRIPS	MAN DAYS							
TECHNICAL INTERCHANGE MEETINGS								THE STATE OF	
1. Foreign Trips to U.K., France	2	16	2	16	1	8	1	8	
2. MRS Meeting on HLW	1	3	1	3	2	6	2	6	
3. Las Vegas/Collect J-13 Water	1	3	1	3	1	3	1	3	
DOE-RELATED VISITS									
Lawrence Livermore Labs	2	4	2	1	2	4	2	4	
TECHNICAL AND PROGRAM REVIEW									
Washington, D.C.	3	9	3	9	3	9	3	9	
TECHNICAL MEETINGS									
Cortest/Ohio State/NIST	1	3							
CONFERENCES/SEMINARS									
NACE Conference	1	5	2	10	2	10	2	10	
Other Conferences	1	5					1	3	
ASTM Conference	1	3	1	3	1	3	1	3	
TOTALS	13	51	12	46	12	43	13	46	

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### 6. ESTIMATED COST BREAKDOWN

The tables presented in this section delineate the costs for the proposed research effort on a task basis per year, with the year being divided into thirteen four-week periods as an accrual basis. Total dollar costs are enumerated for each of the technical labor categories for the Center, along with SwRI direct labor, SwRI support services, subcontractors, consultants, travei, equipment, materials, cost of facility capital, ADP support, and fee and fringe/overhead charges of the Center and SwRI. Tables showing composite summaries of all the tasks on a yearly basis are also included.

Table 6.1 is the FY91 composite cost estimate, and Figure 6.1 shows a plot of the composite spending for FY91. Table 6.2 shows manpower loading (in hours) for FY91. Tables 6.3 through 6.8 contain the FY91 costs for the project tasks, and Figures 6.2 through 6.7 show plots of the spending plans for the project tasks for FY91.

Table 6.9 is the FY92 composite cost estimate, and Figure 6.8 shows a plot for the composite spending for FY92. Table 6.10 shows manpower loading (in hours) for FY92. Tables 6.11 through 6.16 contain the FY92 costs for the project tasks, and Figures 6.9 through 6.13 show plots of the spending plans for the project tasks for FY92.

Table 6.17 is the FY93 composite cost estimate, and Figure 6.14 shows a plot for the composite spending for FY93. Table 6.18 shows manpower loading (in hours) for FY93. Tables 6.19 through 6.24 contain the FY93 costs for the project tasks, and Figures 6.15 through 6.20 show plots of the spending plans for the project tasks for FY93.

Table 6.25 is the FY94 composite cost estimate, and Figure 6.21 shows a plot for the composite spending for FY94. Table 6.26 shows manpower loading (in hours) for FY94. Tables 6.27 through 6.32 contain the FY94 costs for the project tasks, and Figures 6.22 through 6.27 show plots of the spending plans for the project tasks for FY94.

Table 6.33 is the FY95 composite cost estimate, and Figure 6.28 shows a plot for the composite spending for FY95. Table 6.34 shows manpower loading (in hours) for FY95. Tables 6.35 through 6.40 contain the FY95 costs for the project tasks, and Figures 6.29 through 6.33 show plots of the spending plans for the project tasks for FY95.

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	Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1443 1497 0 2940 1249 3498	2828 2273 0 126 5272 2241	225 4095 3326 339 7985 3394	180 5447 5766 812 348 13553 5760	4958 4823 2321 348 12631 5368	225 4340 5572 3117 378 13631 5793	180 2152 3881 3432 368 10013 4255	8 225 1987 2689 3449 378 8727 3709	180 5354 5572 3283 368 14756 6271	180	225 3801 5350 2586 368 12330 5240	12 180 4424 5655 2736 455 13450 5716 16004	225 4419 5683 2752 503 13582 5773	Total 2247 50313 57380 27009 4346 141298 60051 188124
	Swri P1-3 Swri P1-2 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	0000	0		135	370	538	538	572 0 572 243	908	303 0 303 129	235	303 0 303 129	404	4305 0 4305 1829
	SWRI Overhead	0	0	0	224	617	897	897	953	1514	505	392	505		177
2.1	Material/Supply Report Services Travel	4286 0 5449	31	301 90 898			2300 97 404	511 97 0	96 0	96	0 95 1543	0 95 1543	0 94 1762		11000 1064 16802
	Consultants	3286	3458	3459	3459	3458	3459	2421	0	0	0	0	0	0	23000
	Subcontractors Ohio State	2714	2857	2858	2857	2857	2857	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	19000
	Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	23422 212 0 23634 1874	21329 381 0 21710 1706	28487 577 0 29064 2279	44159 979 26 45:65 3533	43775 913 73 44761 3502	46423 985 106 47514 3714	32875 723 106 33704 2630	24683 630 112 25426 1975	42156 1066 178 43400 3372	35067 893 59 36024 2805	34607 891 46 35544 2769	37962 972 59 38993 3037	38703 981 79 39764 3096	453647 10208 845 464790 38292
	Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	25508 5.09% 25508 5.09%	23416 4.67% 48924 9.77%	31343 6.26% 80267 16.02%	48698 9.72% 128965 25.74%	48263 9.63% 177228 35.39%	51228 10.23% 228455 45.60%	36334 7.25% 264789 52.85%	27400 5.47% 292169 58.32%	46772 9.34% 338962 67.66%	38829 7.75% 377791 75.41%	38312 7.65% 416103 83.06%	42030 8.39% 458132 91.45%	42860 6.55% 500992 100.00%	500992 100.00%

Figure 6.1 Composite Spending Plan, FY 91

Table 6.2 Manpower Plan, FY 91

3704-040 INTEGR. WASTI	E PACKAGE	EXP.			Mar	power f	Plan F/Y	91						17	Dec 9
Center Labor	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13)	Total
Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Clerical		0 44 54 0 0	1 86 82 0 13	5 124 120 0 35	195 208 49 36	4 150 174 140 36	5 131 201 188 39	4 65 140 207 38	5 60 97 208 39	4 162 201 198 38	123 191 152 33	5 115 193 156 38	134 204 165 47	5 134 205 166 52	50 1523 2070 1629 449
Total Center Labor	1	98	182	284	492	504	564	454	409	603	508	507	554	562)	5721
Swri Labor	i		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	131	Total
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2	and the	0	0	0	4 0	11 0	16	16 0	17	27	9	7 0	9	12	128
Total Swri Labor	]	0	0	0	4	11	16	16	17	27	9	7	9	12]	128

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					seeee	rud Lran		**					17	Dec 90
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Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center P1-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1117 610 0 1727 734 2055	2267 1220 0 3487 1482 4149	3 2267 1275 0 0 3542 1505 4215	2831 2079 812 0 5722 2432 6809	3991 3604 2321 9916 4214 11799	2808 3271 2421 0 8500 3613	7 494 1580 2537 0 4610 1959 5486	1358 2570 0 4156 1766	789 2024	10 1849 3299 1360 0 6507 2766 7743	11 1781 3299 1343 0 6423 2730 7643	12 2210 3410 1409 87 7116 3024 8467	13 2240 3437 1442 136 7255 3083 8632	Total 24872 30464 18337 223 73896 31406 87628
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2 SwRI Labor SWRI Burden	0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0	135 0 135 57	370 0 370 157	437 0 437 186	437 0 437 186	471	303 0 303 129	168 0 168 71	101 0 101 43	165 0 169 71	235 0 235 100	2825 0 2825 1201
SWRI Overhead	0	0	0	224	617	729	729	785	505	280	168	580	392	4710
Material/Supply Travel	449	897	898	700 898	2000 897	2000 404	300 0	0	0 451	1290	1290	1510	1592	5000 10576
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	4965 125 0 5090 397	10015 252 0 10266 891	10161 256 0 10416 813	16977 413 28 17417 1358	29969 716 73 30758 2398	25983 614 86 26683 2079	13707 333 86 14126 1097	12324 300 92 12716 986	14291 357 59 14707 1143	18625 470 33 19329 1506	18397 464 20 18801 1472	20637 514 33 21184 1651	21291 524 46 21861 1703	217541 5339 554 223435 17403
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	5487 2.28% 5487 2.28%	11068 4.60% 16555 6.87%	11229 4.66% 27784 11.54%	18775 7.80% 48559 19.33%	33156 13.77% 79715 33.10%	28761 11.94% 108477 45.04%	15223 6.32% 123699 51.36%	13702 5.69% 137401 57.05%	15850 6.58% 153252 63.63%	20835 8.65% 174086 72.28%	20353 8.45% 194439 80.73%	22835 9.48% 217274 90.22%	23564 9.78% 240838 100.00%	240838 100.00%

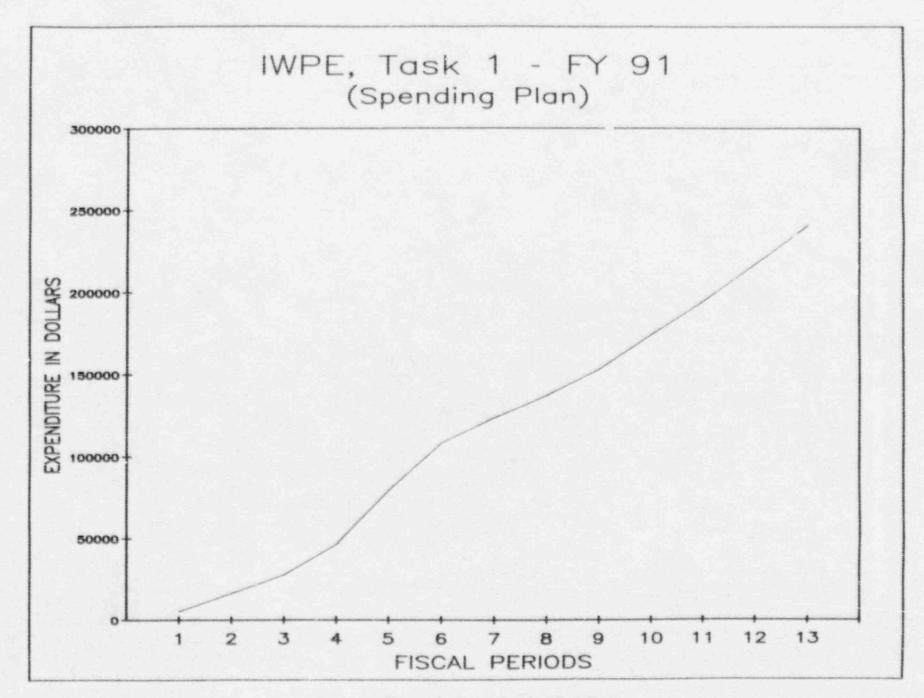


Figure 6.2 Task 1 Spending Plan, FY 91

Table 6.4

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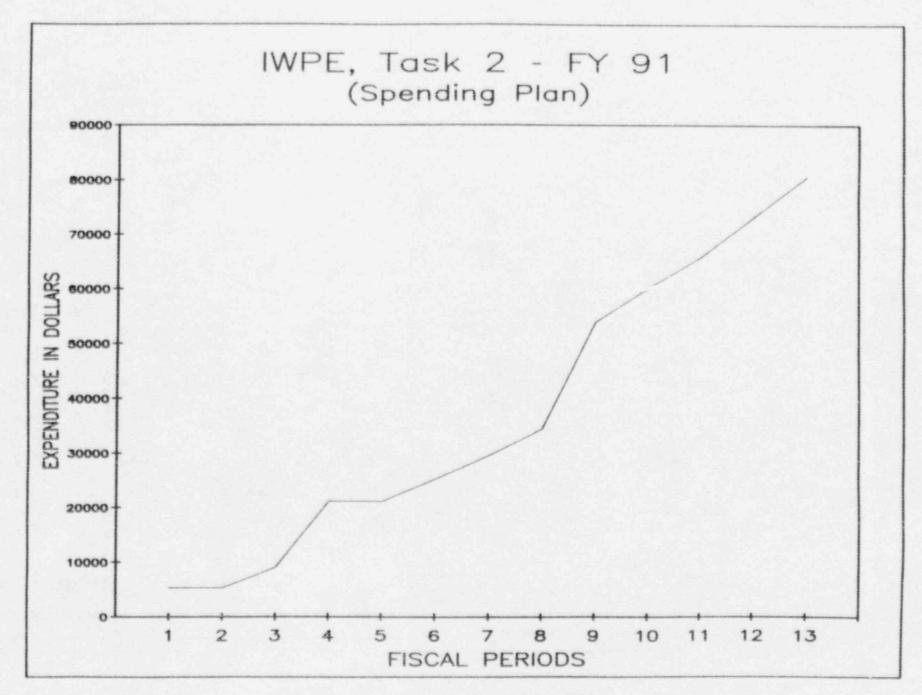


Figure 6.3 Task 2 Spending Plan, FY 91

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Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center P1-1 Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0 0 0	333 141	887 0 887 377 1055	5 0 0 0 0 0	98 804 199 1101 468	7 228 1109 381 1718 730 2044	8 195 693 381 1270 540 1511	326 1192 647 2164 920	10 423 1192 663 2278 968 2711	358 1275 680 2313 983	12 391 1247 680 2318 985 2758	952	Total 2377 9951 4294 16623 7065 16779
Swri P1-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWRI Overhead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0		0		
Material/Supply Travel	5000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	215	0 253	0 253	0 252	0 253	3226
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	2000 0 0 2000 160	0 0 0 0	870 24 0 894 70	2319 84 0 2384 186	0 0 0 0 0	80 0 2957	4493 124 0 4617 359	3320 92 0 3412 266	156 0 6030	6211 165 0 6375 497	6468	6313 167 0 6480 505	6113 162 0 6275 489	46692 1201 0 47893 3735
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	2160 4.18% 2160 4.18%	0.00% 2160 4.18%	963 1.87% 3123 6.05%	2569 4.98% 5693 11.03%	0.00% 5693 11.03%	3187 6.17% 8880 17.20%	4976 9.64% 13856 26.84%	3677 7.12% 17534 33.96%	6500 12.59% 24034 46.55%	6872 13.31% 30906 59.86%	13.51% 37879	6986 13.53% 44864 86.90%	6764 13.10% 51628 100.00%	51628 100.00%

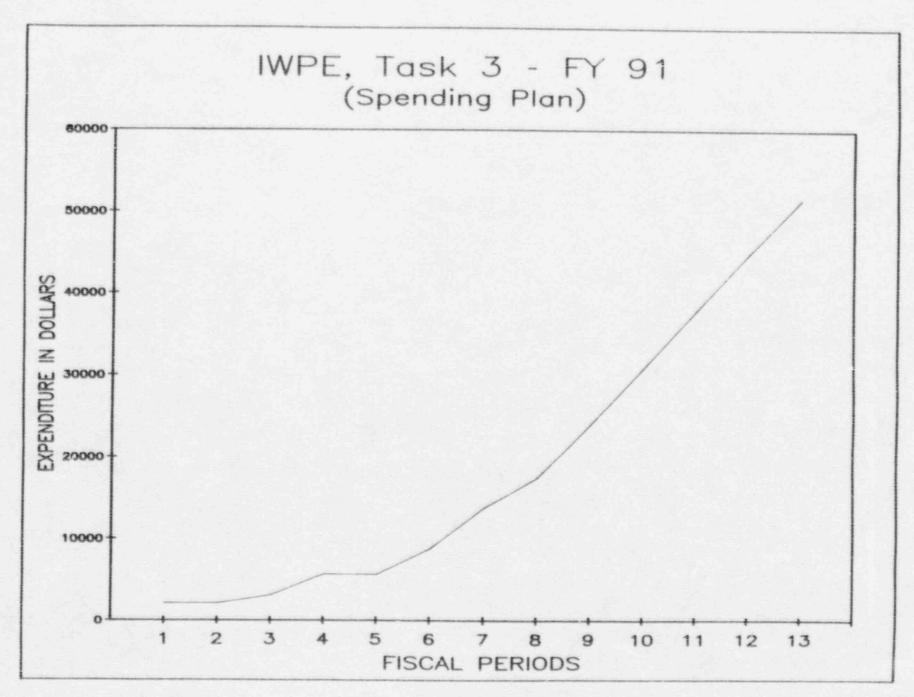


Figure 6.4 Task 3 Spending Plan, FY 9i

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Center Pl-3 Center Fl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Labor Center Burden Canter Overhead	326 0 0 326 138 387	0 0 325 138	3 358 0 0 358 152 428	326 0 326 138	0 0 326 138	0	326 0 0	0 0 326	358 0 0	326 0 326 138	0 0 326 138	12 326 0 0 326 138 387	0	0
Material/Supply Travel	2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2000
Consultants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	24	851 24 0 875 68	937 26 0 962 75	851 24 0 875 68	851 24 0 875 68	851 24 0 875 68	851 24 0 875 68	851 24 0 875 68	937 26 0 962 75	851 24 0 875 63	851 24 0 875 68	851 24 0 875 68	851 24 0 875 68	13238 310 0 13549 1059
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	3103 21.24% 3103 21.24%	943 8.46% 4046 27.70%	1037 7,10% 5083 34,80%	943 6.46% 6026 41.25%	943 6.46% 6969 47.71%	943 6.46% 7912 54.17%	943 6.48% 8856 60.62%	943 6.46% 9799 67.08%	1037 7.10% 10836 74.18%	943 6.46% 11779 80.63%	943 6.46% 12722 87.09%	943 5.46% 13665 93.54%	943 6.46% 14608 100.00%	14608

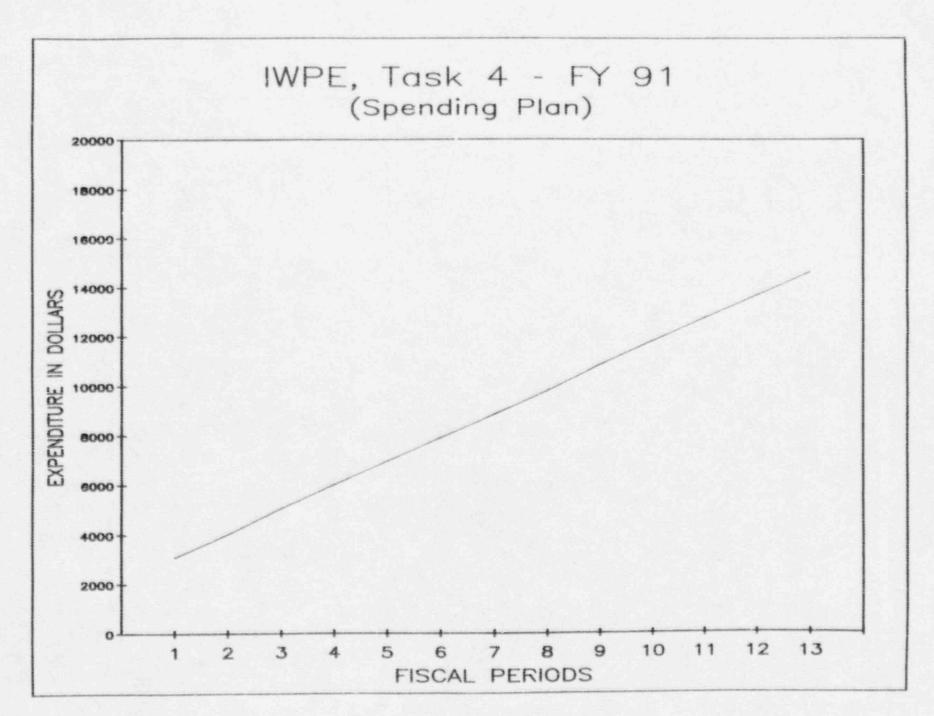


Figure 6.5 Task 4 Spending Plan, FY 91

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3704-045 OTHER DEGRADATION MODES	er P1.2 er Labor er Burden er Overhead	Material/Supply Travel	Consultants	Subcontractors Ohio State	Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion
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Figure 6.6 Task 5 Spending Plan, FY 91

Table 6.8

						Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 91						17	Dec 90
	3704-046 PROGR	ESS REP	ORTS												
	Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1 0 0 0 0 0 0	2 45 236 111 126 517 220 615	642 305 339 1510 642	652	5 180 642 305 348 1475 627 1755	225 514 333 378 1449 616	180 479 277 368 1304 554	8 225 514 333 378 1449 618	180 481 305 368 1334 567	10 180 479 305 368 1331 566 1584	11 225 514 333 368 1439 612 1713	12 180 511 277 368 1336 568 1590	599	6838
	Report Services	0	31	90	89	90	97	97	96	96	95	95	94	94	1064
	Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	0 0 0 0	1384 37 0 1421 111	4039 109 0 4148 323	4103 111 0 4214 328	3947 107 0 4053 316	3888 105 0 3990 311	3600 280	3885 105 0 3989 311	3584 96 0 3681 287	3577 96 0 3673 286	3858 104 0 3962 309	3588 97 0 3685 287	3778 102 0 3880 302	43134 1162 0 44297 3451
59	% Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	0.00%	3.21% 1532 3.21%	9.38% 6003 12.57%	9.51% 10545 22.09%	4369 9.15% 14914 31.24%	9.01% 19215 40.24%	3881 8.13% 23096 48.37%	4300 9.01% 27396 57.38%	3967 8.31% 31364 65.69%	3959 8.29% 35322 73.98%	4271 8.95% 39593 82.92%	3972 8.32% 43565 91.24%	4182 8.76% 47748 100.00%	47748 100.00%

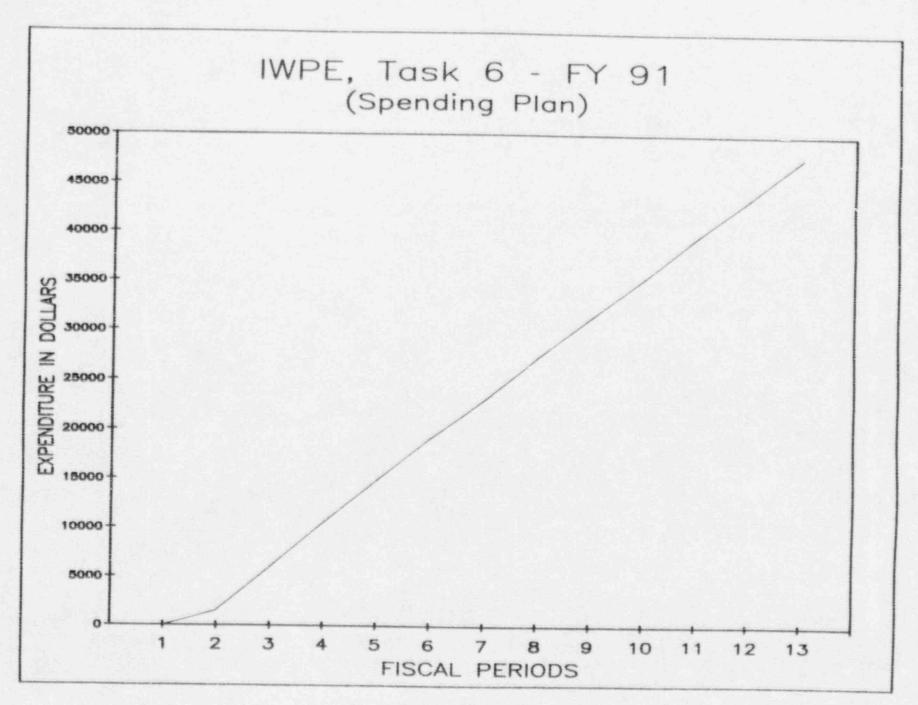


Figure 6.7 Task 6 Spending Plan, FY 91

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Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	181 3181 3786 2300 525 9980 4242 11875	3059 3659 2224 522 9654 4103	190 3938 4730 2101 522 11481	237 4464	190 2887 3776 2154 522 9528 4050	190 2268 3629 1786 543 8417 3577	237 3334 5269	8 190 3343 5269 2241 594 11637 4946 13846	9 190 3966 5532 2504 748 12939 5499 15396	10 237 3896 5532 2504 737 12907 5485 15358	11 190 4059 5737 3607 748 14341 6095	12 237 4320 6030 4763 737 16087 6837	13 190 4696 6874 5008 737 17305 7354 20590	Total 2656 47412 65496 35674 7970 159207 67663 189436
Swri Pl-3 Syri Pl-2 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	387 0 387 164	320	710	0	391	249	320	355 0 355 151	497 0 497 211	426 0 426 181	604 0 604 257	817 0 817 347	817 0 817 347	6779 0 6779 2881
SWRI Overhead	645	533	1184	1480	651	414	533	592	829	710	1006	1362	1362	11302
Material/Supply Report Services Travel	0 94 620	91	23 88 620	228 88 620	89	365 96 619	456 95 620	456 95 732	457 94 1070	456 94 1070	457 93 1070	620 94 1069	1004 94 1070	4750 1205 10420
Consultants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Subcontractors Ohio State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Est excl. CFC,Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	28007 721 76 28804 2241	26942 697 63 27702 2155	32950 830 139 33919 2636	38368 958 174 39500 3069	27061 688 77 27826 2165	23857 668 49 24514 1909	32665 843 63 33570 2613	32809 841 70 33720 2625	36993 935 98 381 6 2959	36688 933 84 37704 2935	40986 1036 118 42140 3279	46373 1162 160 47696 3710	49943 1250 160 51353 3995	453642 11502 1330 466475 36291
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	31045 6.17% 31045 6.17%	29858 5.94% 80902 12.11%	36555 7.27% 97457 19.38%	42570 8.47% 140027 27.85%	29991 5.97% 170018 33.82%	26422 5.26% 198440 39.07%	36183 7.20% 232624 46.27%	36344 7.23% 268968 53.50%	40985 8.15% 309953 61.65%	40639 8.08% 350593 69.73%	45419 9.03% 396012 78.77%	51406 10.22% 447417 88.99%	55349 11.01% 502766 100.00%	502766 100.00%

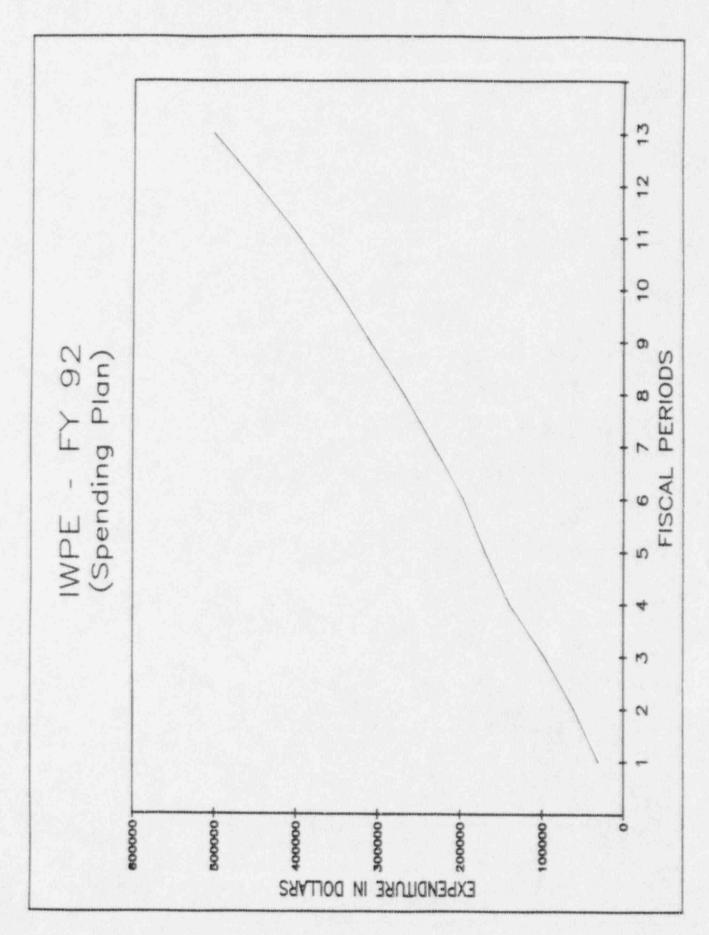


Figure 6.8 Composite Spending Plan, FY 92

Table 6.10 Manpower Plan, FY 92

3704-040 INTEGR. WASTE	PACKAGE	EXP.			Man	power F	Plan F/Y	92						17	Dec 9
Center Labor	1	1		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	131	Total
Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Clerical		96 131 133 52	92 125 127 51	119 160 120 51	5 135 198 125 49	87 129 123 51	68 124 102 53	5 101 180 131 52	101 180 128 58	120 189 143 73	5 118 189 143 72	123 196 206 73	5 131 206 272 72	142 228 286 72	56 1433 2235 2039 778
Total Center Labor	1	416	399	454	512	394	351	469	471	529	527	602	686	732)	8542
Swri Labor	1		5	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	131	Total
Swr' Pl-3 Swri Pl-2	1	11	9	20	25 0	11 0	7 0	9	10	14	12	17	23	231	
Total Swri Labor	]	11	9	20	25	11	7	9	10	14	12	17	23	231	191

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Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center P1-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	981 1420 900 151 3453 1468 4109	805 154 2974 1284	1142 735 154 2854 1213	753 1142 735 143 2774 1179	1142 735 154 2784 1183	786 1112 753 154 2805 1192 3337	1958 2693 1278 143 6073 2581	2028 2864 1156 154 6001 2550 7140	1958 2664 1138 154 5913 2513	1958 2664 1138 143 5903 2509 7024	2088 2839 2224 154 7305 3105	12 2316 3220 3397 154 9087 3862 10812		Total 19845 27734 18638 1954 68171 28973 81115
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2 SwRI Labor SWRI Burden	211 0 211 90	178	249 0 249 106	213	0	213 0 213 91	0	249 0 249 106	249	249 0 249 106	391	568 568 241	0	3833 0 3833 1629
SWRI Overhead	352	296	414	355	355	355	414	414	414	414	651	947	1000	6391
Material/Supply Travel	0 367	367	0 367	367	0 367	367		0 367		0 367		164 367	548 367	712 4771
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	10050 249 41 10341 804	8694 215 35 8943 695	8597 206 49 8852 688	8279 200 42 8521 882	8306 201 42 8548 664	8360 203 42 8604 669	17015 439 49 17502 1361	16826 434 49 17309 1346	16599 427 49 17075 1328	16572 426 49 17047 1326	21281	26048 656 112 26816 2084	29574 740 118 30432 2366	195595 4925 752 201272 15648
Tot Cost with Fee & Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	11145 5.14% 11145 5.14%	9639 4.44% 20784 9.58%	9540 4.40% 30324 13.98%	9183 4.23% 39507 18.21%	9213 4.25% 48720 22.46%	9273 4.27% 57993 26.73%	18863 8.70% 76857 35.43%	18655 8.60% 95512 44.03%	18402 8.48% 113914 52.51%	18373 8.47% 132287 60.98%	22935 10.57% 155222 71.56%	28900 13.32% 184122 84.88%	32796 15.12% 216920 100.00%	216920

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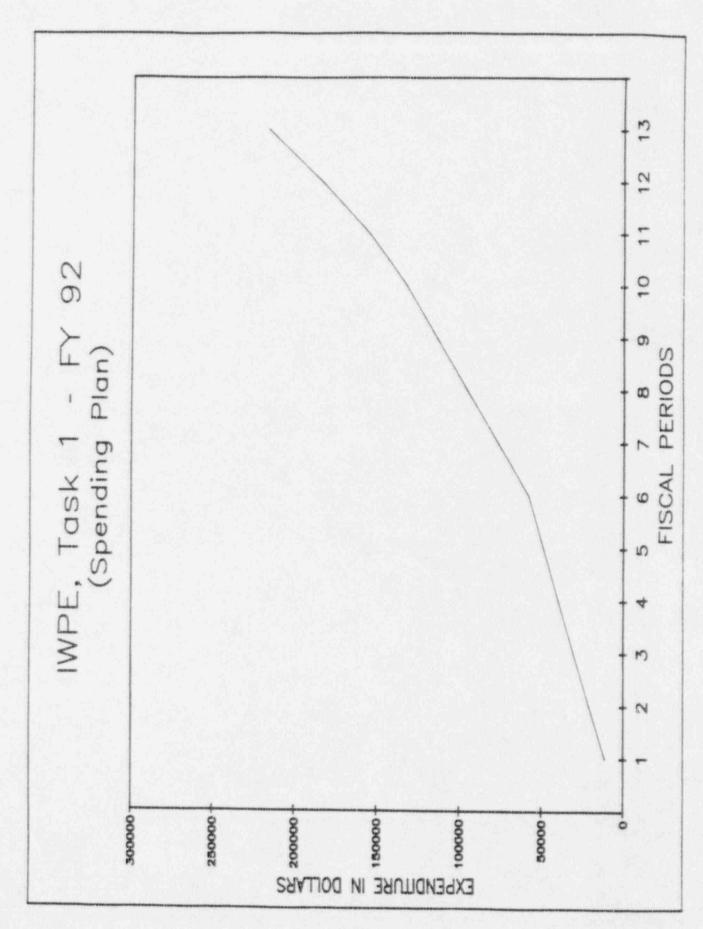


Figure 6.9 Task I Spending Plan, FY 92

3704-042 STRES	S CORRO	SION CRA	CKING		Spend	ling Plan	F/Y 92						17	Dec 90
Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center P1-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	923 779 691 0 2394 1017 2848	761 700 0 2458 1044	1803 700 0 4406 1872	2465 2391 683 0 5538 2354	732 683 0 2275 967	298 439 245 0 982 417	228 439 175 0 842 358	556 245	1121 761 543 205 2629 1117	1014 761 543 215 2533 1076	11 1084 732 543 205 2563 1089 3050	12 1014 761 560 205 2540 1080 3022	13 1121 761 543 205 2629 1117 3128	Total 13414 11676 6855 1085 33030 14038 39301
SWRI Pl-3 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	176 176 75	142	391	568 568 241	178	36	71	107 107 45	249 249 106	178	213 213 91	249 249 106	213 213 91	2768 2768 1176
SWRI Overhead	293	237	651	947	296	59	118	178	414	296	355	414	355	4615
Material/Supply Travel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	112			0 450	0 450	0 450	2382
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWAI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	6803 173 34 7010 544	8862 177 28 7068 549	12728 318 77 13123 1018	16238 400 112 16750 1299	6497 164 35 6697 520	2677 71 71 2755 214	2422 61 14 2496 184	3692 90 21 3803 295	8094 190 49 8333 648	7622 183 35 7840 610	7810 185 42 8037 625	7860 164 49 8093 629	7984 190 42 8216 639	97290 2386 543 100220 7783
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	7554 6.99% 7554 6.99%	7617 7.05% 15171 14.05%	14141 13.09% 29312 27.14%	18049 16.71% 47361 43.85%	7216 6.68% 54577 50.53%	2969 2.75% 57546 53.28%	2690 2.49% 60236 55.77%	4098 3.79% 64335 59.57%	8980 8.31% 73315 67.88%	8449 7.82% 81764 75.71%	8662 8.02% 90427 83.73%	8722 8.08% 99148 91.80%	8855 8.20% 108003	108003

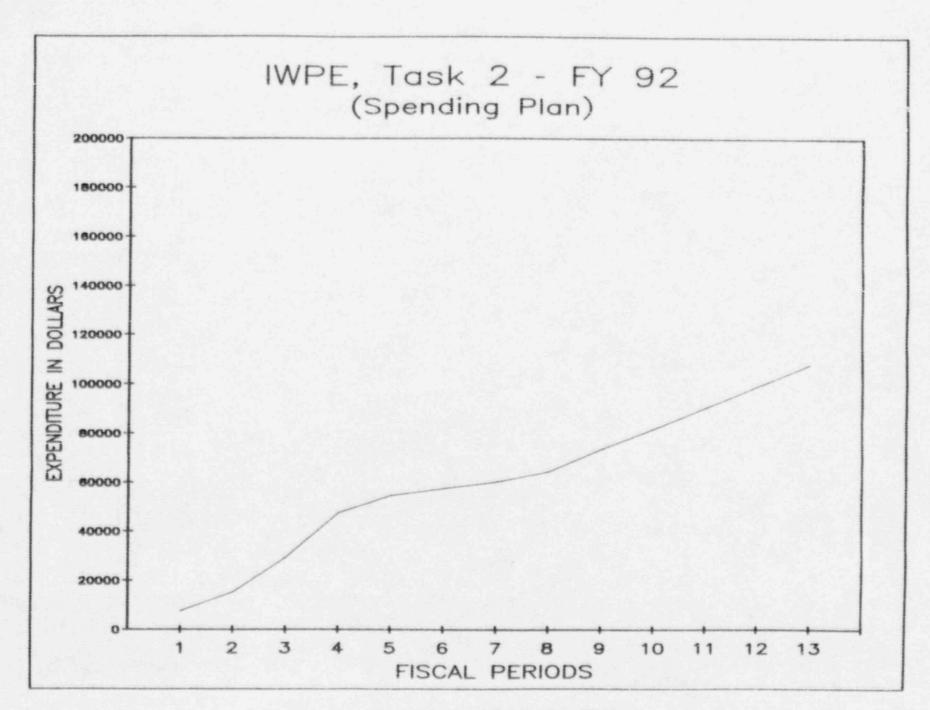


Figure 6.10 Task 2 Spending Plan, FY 92

Spending Plan F/Y 92 17 Dec 90 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* 3704-043 MATERIALS STABILITY Total Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center Pl-1 Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead Swri P1-3 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden SWRI Overhead Material/Supply Travel Est excl. CFC.Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost -------------.... -------------------------------Tot Cost with Fee & Completion 8.14% 6.28% 6.60% 8.63% 7.43% 7.73% 8.40% 7.98% 8.13% 8.21% 8.32% 8.13% 8.02% 100.00% Cumulative Cost 27.54% 35.07% Cumul Completion 6.14% 12.42% 19.02% 42.81% 51.21% 59.17% 67.30% 75.52% 83.84% 91.87% 100.00%

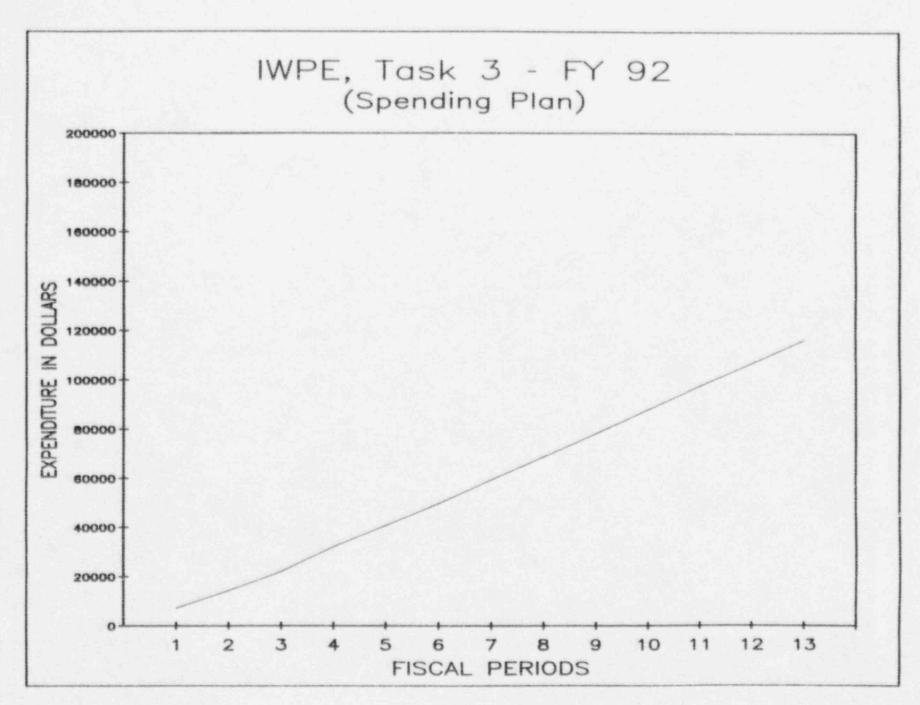


Figure 6.11 Task 3 Spending Plan, FY 92

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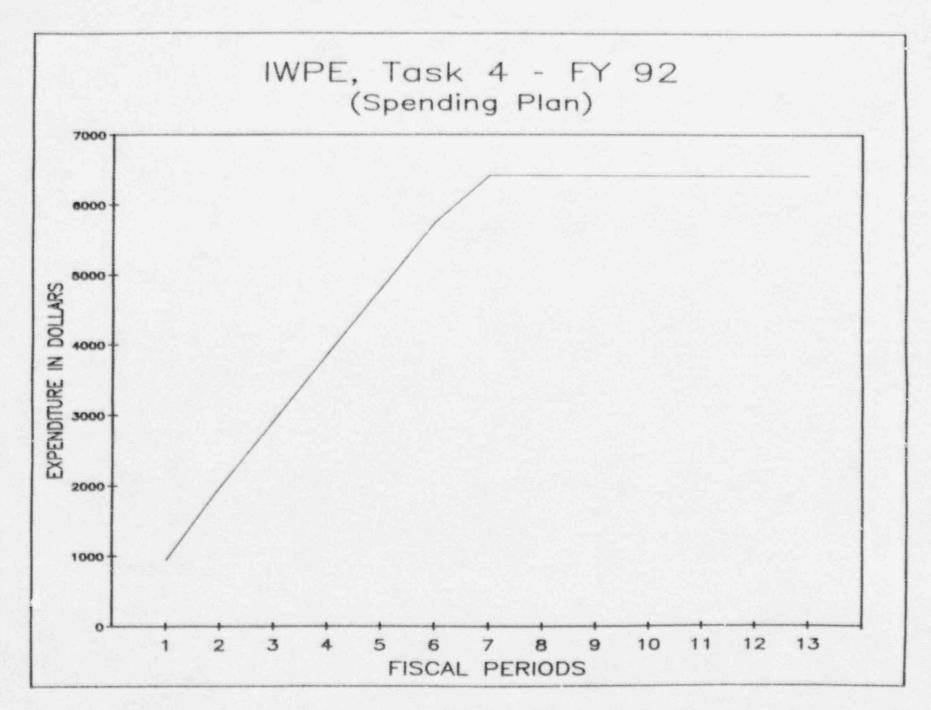


Figure 6.12 Task 4 Spending Plan, FY 92

Table 6.15 Task 5 Spending Plan, FY 92

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Center P1-2 Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	-0000	00000	0000	*0000	0000	0000	~0000	80000	00000	00000	-0000	×0000	20000	Tot
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Subcontractors Onio State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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Table 6.16 Task 6 Spending Plan, FY 92

					Spend	ing Plan							17 (	Dec 90
3704-046 PROGR	ESS REP	ORTS												
Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	187 560 317 374 1439 612 1712	2 190 529 351 369 1439 612 1712	3 190 529 351 369 1439 612 1712	237 529 351 358 1476 627	190 492 293 369 1343 571	608 190 501 351 389 1431 608 1703	237 497 293 389 1416 602	8 190 534 351 389 1464 622 1742	190 497 322 389 1398 594	10 237 501 322 379 1439 612 1713	11 190 497 322 389 1398 594 1663	12 237 566 322 379 1504 639 1790	13 190 529 322 389 1430 608 1702	Total 2656 6761 4269 4931 18616 7912 22151
Report Services	94	91	88	88	89	96	95	95	94	94	93	94	94	1205
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cest Fee	3856 104 0 3960 308	3854 104 0 3958 308	3851 104 0 3955 308	3948 107 0 4055 316	3602 97 0 3699 288	3839 107 3942 397	3899 304	3923 106 0 4029 314	101	3858 104 0 3962 309	3747 101 0 3848 300	4028 109 0 4137 322	3834 103 0 3937 307	49885 1345 0 51230 3991
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	4269 7.73% 4269 7.73%	4266 7.73% 8535 15.46%	4263 7.72% 12797 23.18%	4370 7.91% 17168 31.09%	3987 7.22% 21155 38.31%	4249 7.70% 25404 46.00%	4203 7.61% 29607 53.62%	4343 7.86% 33950 61.48%	4149 7.51% 38099 68.99%	4270 7.73% 42369 76.73%	4148 7.51% 46518 84.24%	4459 8.07% 50977 92.32%	4244 7.68% 55220 100.00%	55220 100.00%

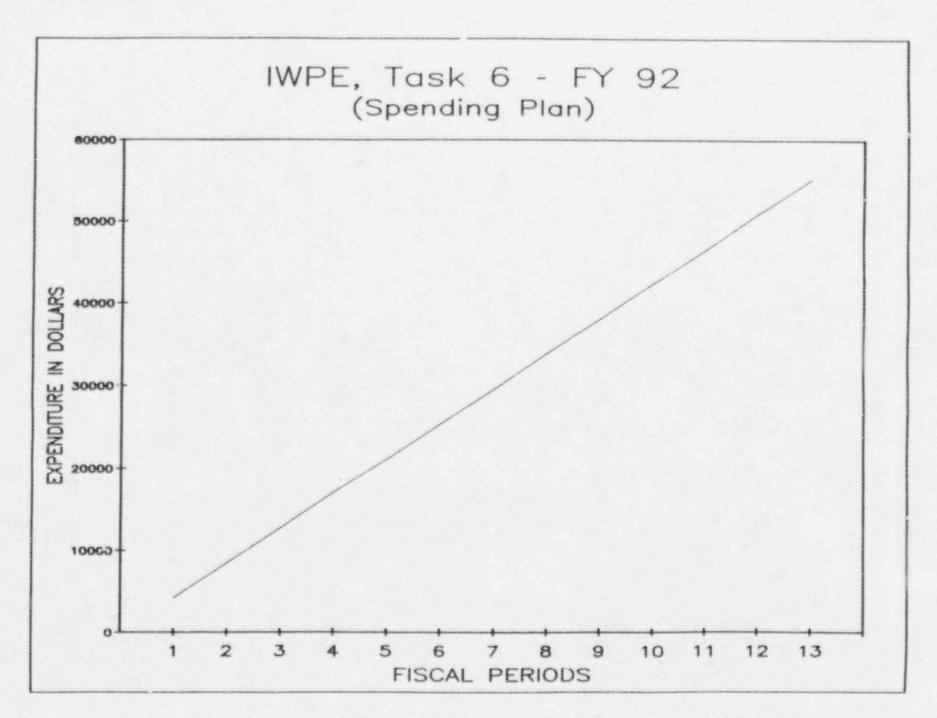


Figure 6.13 Task 6 Spending Plan, FY 92

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3704-040 INTEGR. WASTE PACKAGE EXP.

Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Cente: Pl-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1994 4994 7630 5290 780 18893 8029 22884	5037 7734 5500	302 4407 6243 5444 942 17338 7369	201 3442 4411 3827 769 12650	3670 4939 2007 769 11585 4924	201 3735 4783 1784 780 11283 4795	252 3709 4535 1858 791	8 201 3612 4288 1802 769 10670 4535 12925	201 3507 4038 1747 791 10283 4370	252 3409 4131 1709 780 10281 4370	11 201 3403 4069 1747 769 10188 4330 12341	12 201 3540 4007 1709 791 10248 4355 12413	13 252 3409 4111 1616 693 10082 4285	Total 2868 49873 64916 36040 10191 163888 69652 198509
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	858 0 858 365	0	829	678	0 565	678	678	678 0 678 288		0 565	678 0 678 288	565 0 565 240	603 30 633 269	8771 30 8801 3740
SWRI Overhead	1467	1353	1418	1160	966	1160	1160	1160	1031	966	1160	966	1083	15050
Material/Supply Report Sarvices Travel	1003 94 1423	1004 90 1861	1209 110 2379	88	777 91 1903	615 94 1903	548 94 1903	547 93 1903	548 92 1903	547 93 1903	547 92 1903	548 94 1903	547 94 1682	9215 1219 24471
Consultants	0	579	804	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	844	7814
Subcontractors Ohio State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumulative Cost Cumulative Cost	55015 1514 187 56716 4401 	50740 1541 172 58453 4539 62893 11,30% 124109 22,26%	52808 1389 180 54377 4225 58602 10.51% 182711 32.77%	38684 1013 148 40045 3111 43155 7.74% 225867 40.51%	35728 928 123 36779 2858 39637 7.11% 265504 47.62%	35126 904 148 36178 2810 38988 6.99% 304485	34694 893 148 35734 2775 38510 6.91% 343002 61,51%	33442 855 148 34445 2675 37120 6.634 38012 68.17%	32186 824 131 33141 2575 35716 6.41% 415837 74.58%	32082 824 123 33009 2565 35574 6.38% 451411 80.96%	32170 816 148 33134 2574 35708 6.40% 487119 87.36%	31976 821 123 32920 2556 35478 6.36% 52258	31530 808 138 32476 2522 34998 6.28% 557594	502360 13130 1915 517406 40189 557594 100.00%

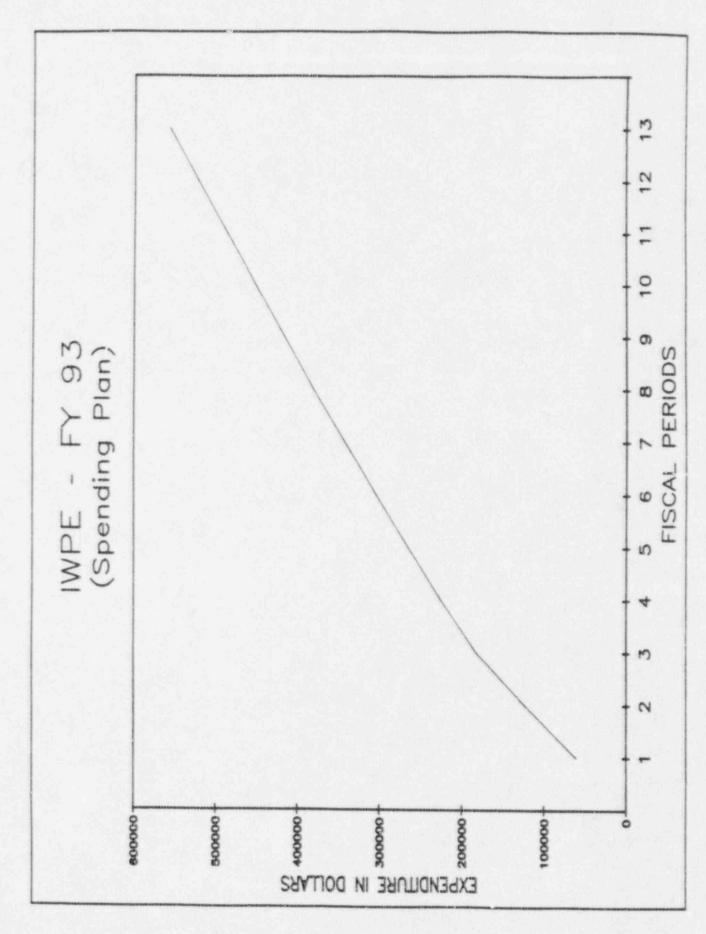


Figure 6.14 Composite Spending Plan, FY 93

Table 6.18 Manpower Plan FY 93

3704-040 INTEGR. WASTE PA	ACKAGE	EXP.			Mar	power f	lan F/Y	93						17	Dec 9
Center Labor	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	131	Total
Center P1-4 Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center P1-1 Conter Clerical	**************************************	4 151 249 289 73	4 152 249 298 71	6 132 201 293 87	103 142 206 71	110 159 108 71	112 154 96 72	5 111 146 100 73	108 138 97 71	105 130 94 73	5 102 133 92 72	102 131 94 71	106 129 92 73	51 102 132 87 84	57 1496 2093 1944 942
Total Center Labor	1	766	772	719	526	452	438	435	418	406	404	402	404	390]	8532
Swri Labor	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	131	Total
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2	1	23 0	21 0	22	18	15	18 0	18	18	16	15	18	15	18)	233
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Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center P1-7 Center C1e Cal Center Lab Center Burden Center Overhead	1 2651 3949 3844 160 10605 4507 12845	3902 162 10626 4516	3 1486 1833 3512 195 7025 2985 8509	1160 1367 2378 162 5067 2154	1833 539 152 3872 1645		1511 2050 557 162 4281 1819	557 152 4316 1835	1511 2019 557 162 4250 1806	1479 2081 557 162 4280 1819	1479 2050 557 152 4238 1801	12 1551 2050 557 162 4320 1836 5233	465 65 3839 1674	Total 21179 29336 18541 2012 71068 30204 86082
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2 SwRI Labor SwRI Burden	634 0 634 269	565 0 565 240	565 0 565 240	414	339	452 0 452 192	452		452		490	414 0 414 176	30 445	6060 30 6090 2588
SWRI Overhead	1084	966	966	709	580	773	773	773	773	709	838	709	761	10414
Material/Supply Travel	547 367	548 367	684 458	547 367	548 367	547 367	548 367	547 367	548 367		547 367	548 367	547 147	7253 4842
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	30858 850 138 31845 2469	30699 851 123 31673 2456	21433 563 123 22118 1715	15572 406 90 18063 1246	12184 310 74 12568 975	13536 340 98 13975 1083	13619 343 98 14060 1090	13711 346 98 14155 1097	13537 340 98 13978 1083	13496 343 90 13929 1080	13621 340 107 14068 1090	13604 346 90 14041 1088	12473 316 97 12885	218342 5694 1328 225381 17487
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	34314 14.13% 34314 14.13%	34129 14.05% 68443 28.19%	23833 9.81% 92276 38.00%	17314 7.13% 109590 45.13%	13543 5.58% 123134 50.71%	15058 6.20% 138191 58.91%	15150 6.24% 153341 63.15%	15252 6.28% 168593 69.43%	15059 6.20% 183651 75.83%	15008 6.18% 198660 81.61%	15157 6.24% 213817 88.05%	15129 6.23% 228946 94.28%	13883 5.72% 242829 100.00%	242829 100.00%

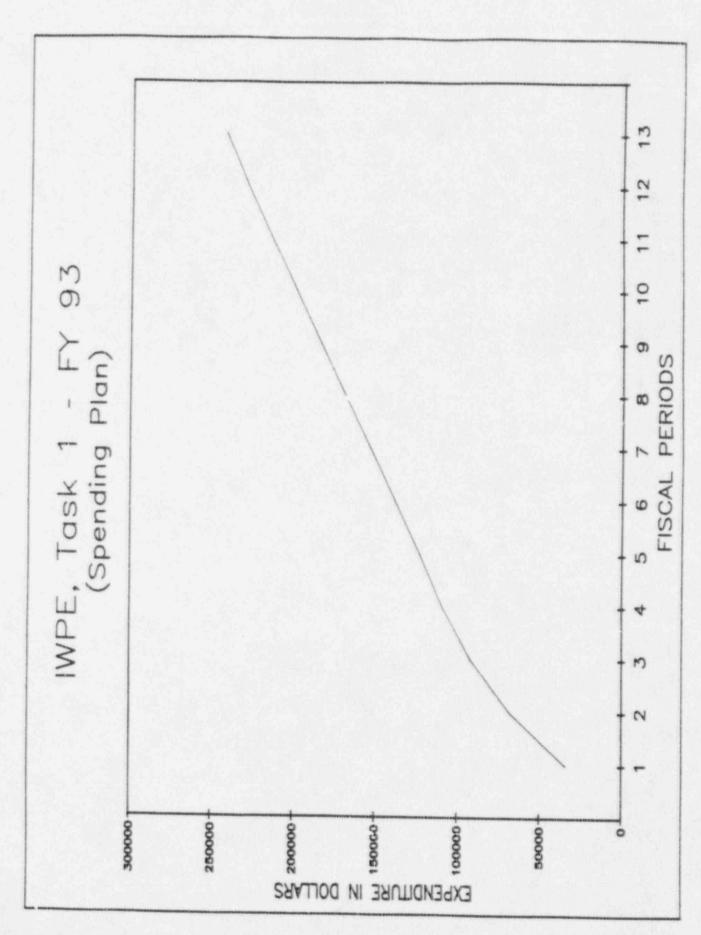


Figure 6.15 Task 1 Spending Plan, FY 93

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3704-042 STRESS CORROSION CRACKING

Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1016 736 568 224 2546 1082 3083	839 576 217 2752 1170	1316 963 725 271 3274	1016 777 576 217 2585 1099 3131	5 1088 777 576 227 2668 1134 3232	1016		8 918 590 502 217 2227 946 2697	821 311 409 227 1768 751	10 860 311 409 217 1796 763 2176		12 821 311 409 217 1757 747 2128	821 311 409 227 1768 751	12762 7818 6700 2910 30191 12831
Swri Pl-3 SwRI Labor SwRI Burden	224 224 95	226	264 264 112	264 264 112	226 226 96	226 226 96	226 226 96	226 226 96	151	151 151 64	188 188 80	151 151 64	188	2711
SWAI Overhead	383	387	451	451	387	387	387	387	258	258	322	258	322	4635
Material/Supply Travel	450	0 450	0 563	449	0 450	450	0 450	0 450	0 450	0 450	0 450	0 450		0 5962
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	7863 204 49 8115 629	8413 220 49 8683 673	10022 262 57 10341 802	8091 207 57 8356 847	8192 214 49 8455 655	8089 211 49 8349 647	8185 214 49 8448 655	7029 178 49 7257 562	142 33 5757	5657 144 33 5834 453	5672 141 41 5854 454	5554 141 33 5727 444	5700 142 41 5883 458	94050 2419 590 97056 7524
Tot Cost with Fee * Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	8744 8.35% 8744 8.36%	9356 8.95% 18100 17.31%	11143 10.65% 29243 27.98%	9003 8.61% 38246 38.57%	9111 8.71% 47357 45.28%	8996 8.60% 56353 53.88%	9103 8.70% 65456 62.59%	7819 7.48% 73275 70.06%	6203 5.93% 79478 76.00%	6287 6.01% 85765 82.01%	6307 6.03% 92072 88.04%	6172 5.90% 98244 93.94%	6339 6.06% 104583 100.00%	104583

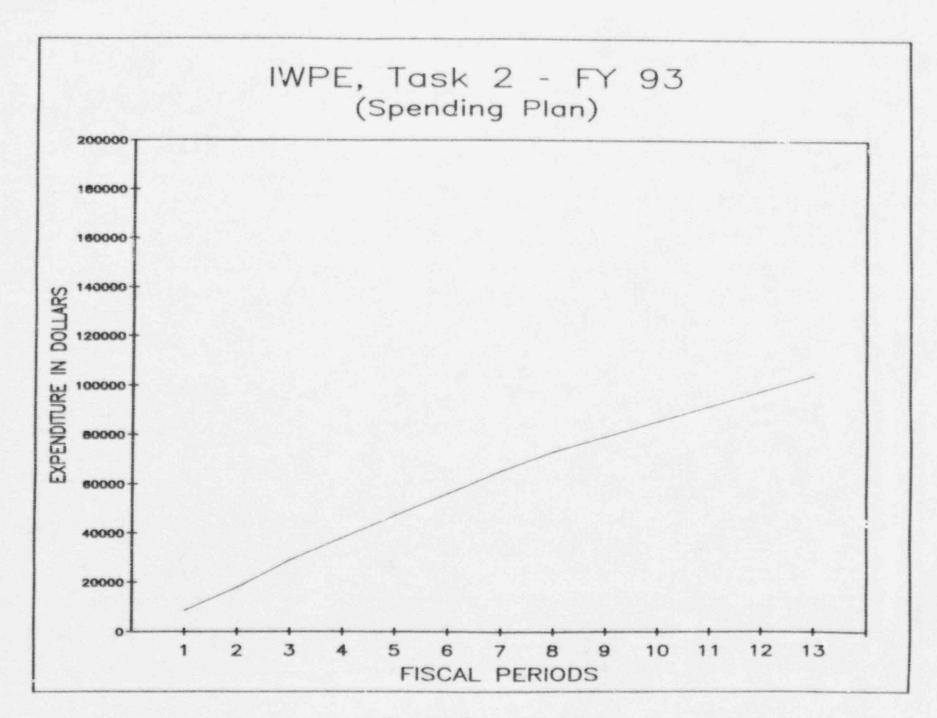


Figure 6.16 Task 2 Spending Plan, FY 93

					Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 93						17	Dec 90
3704-043 MATE	HIALS ST	ABILITY												
Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center P1-1 Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	391 1895 878 3164 1345 3832	423 1895 892 3210 1364 3888	488 2267 1049 3796 1613	391 1305 743 2438 1036	1367 743 2468 1049		228 777 576 1580 672	745 613 1619 688	260 745 632	228 808 613 1649 701		12 260 714 613 1588 675 1923	808 595 1663 707	15096 9109 28275 12017
Swri Pl-3 SwRI Labor SwRI Burden	0 0	0		0	0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0	0	0	0
SWRI Overhead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Material/Supply Travel	456 253	456 253		228 253	229 253	68 253	0 252	0 253				0 253		1962 3350
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	253 0	91 257 0 8428 734	10849 304 0 11153 868	6909 195 0 7105 553	6988 198 0 7186 559	5134 146 0 5280 411	4418 127 0 4545 353	4521 130 0 4651 362	4570 131 0 4701 366	132 0 4731	4566 131 1 4697 365	4439 127 0 4567 355	4635 133 0 4768 371	79851 2265 0 82116 6388
Tot Cost with Fee	10027	10162	12021	7657 8.65%	7745 8.75%	5691 6.43%	4898	5013 5.66%	5067 5.73%	5099 5.76%	5063 5.72%	4922 5.56%	5139	88504 100.00%

Cumulative Cost 10027 20189 32210 39867 47612 53304 58202 63215 68282 73381

Cumul Completion 11.33% 22.81% 38.39% 45.05% 53.80% 60.23% 65.76% 71.43% 77.15% 82.91%

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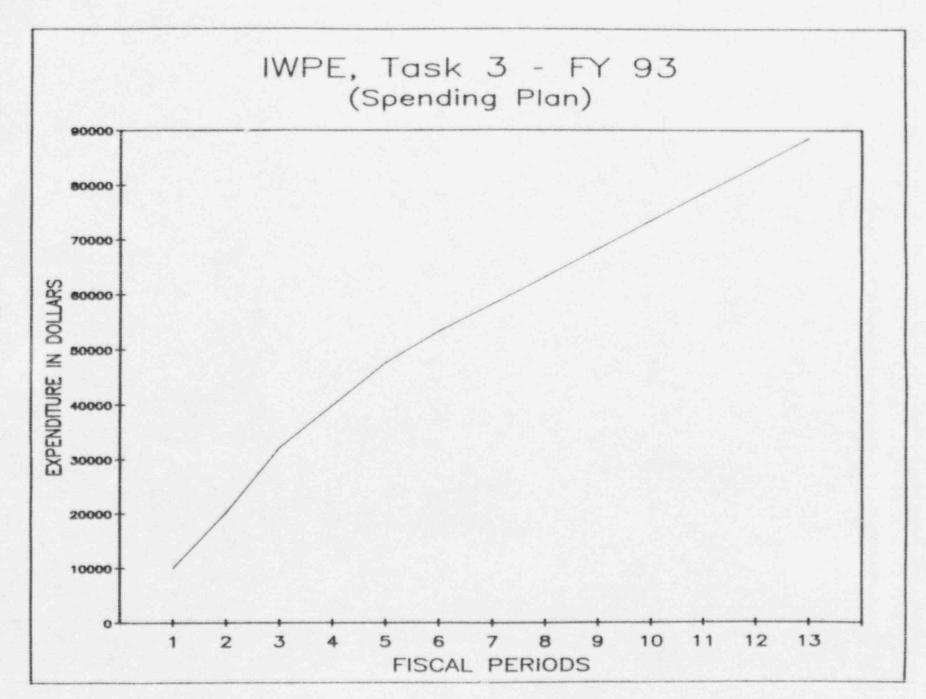


Figure 6.17 Task 3 Spending Plan, FY 93

3704-044 MICBO	810L0G10	CALL INDE	JCED COR	a	Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 93						17 (	Dec 90
Center P1-3 Denter P1-2 Center P1-1 Center Labor Center Burden Centar Overhead	1 358 276 0 634 270 768	2 358 62 130 550 234 867	3 456 62 167 685 291 830	4 326 31 130 487 207 590	5 358 31 149 538 229 851	62 130 550 234 667	7 358 31 149 538 229 651	8 358 31 130 519 221 629	229	358 62 130 550	358 31 149 538 229	12 358 31 130 519 221	242	Total 4721 804 1691 7218 3067
Material/Supply Travel	0	0 376	0 523	0 418	0 4:8	0 418	0 418	418	0 418	0 418	418	629 0 418	0 418	8740 5079
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost	1672 51 0 1722	2406 44 0 2450	3133 55 0 3188	2344 39 0 2363	2479 43 0 2522	2512 44 0 2556	2479 43 0 2522	2430 42 0 2472		2512 44 0 2556	2479 43 0	2430 42 0	2562 46 0	7814 31916 578 0
Fee Tot Cost with Fee Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	1858 5.30% 1856 5.30%	192 2642 7.54% 4499 12.84%	251 3439 9.81% 7937 22.65%	2571 7.33% 10508 29.98%	2720 7.76% 13228 37.74%	2757 7.87% 15985 45.61%	2720 7.76% 18706 53.37%	2666 7.61% 21372 60.98%	198	2757 7.87% 26849 76.61%	2522 198 2720 7.76% 29569 84.37%	2472 194 2668 7.61% 32235 91.98%	2607 205 2812 8.02% 35047 100.00%	32494 2553 35047 100.00%

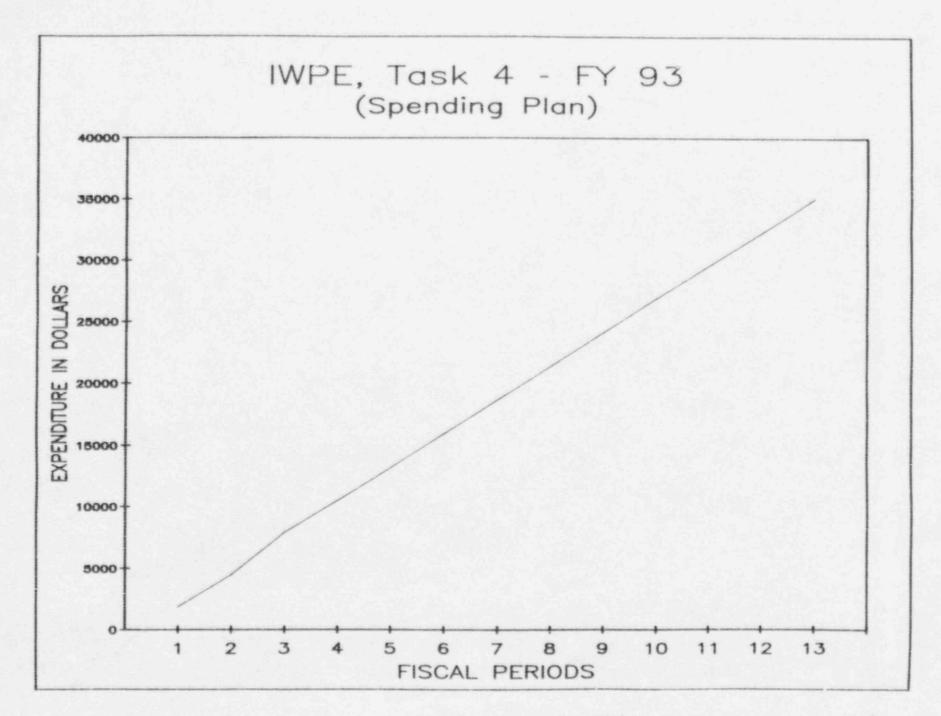


Figure 6.18 Task 4 Spending Plan, FY 93

3704-045 OTHER	DEGRAD	ATION MO	DES		Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 93						17	Dec 90
Center P1-2 Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1 466 466 198 564	590 590 251 715	3 683 683 290 828	559 559 238 677	5 559 559 238 677	6 528 528 224 640	7 590 590 251 715	8 559 559 238 677	559	10 55\$ 559 238 677	11 559 559 238 677	12 559 559 238 677		7299 3102
Material/Supply Travel	0 353	415	519	415	0 415	0 415	0 416	415	0 415	415	415	415	415	0 5438
Consultants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Subcontractors Ohio State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	c	0		
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	1581 37 0 1619 127	1971 47 0 2018 158	2320 55 0 2375 186	1889 45 0 1934 151	1889 45 0 1934 151	1807 42 0 1849 145	1972 47 0 2019 158	1889 45 0 1934 151	1889 45 0 1934 151	1889 45 0 1934 151	1889 45 0 1934 151	1889 45 0 1934 151	1807 42 0 1849 145	24680 585 0 25265 1974
Tot Cost with Fee & Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	1745 6.41% 1745 6.41%	2176 7.99% 3921 14.39%	2561 9.40% 6462 23.79%	2085 7.65% 8586 31.45%	2085 7.65% 10651 39.10%	1994 7.32% 12645 46.42%	2177 7.99% 14822 54.41%	2085 7.65% 16907 62.07%	2085 7.65% 18991 69 72%	2085 7.65% 21076 77.37%	2085 7.65% 23161	2085 7.65% 25246	1994 7.32% 27239	27239 100.00%

Figure 6.19 Task 5 Spending Plan, FY 93

3704-046 PROGR	ESS REP	ORTS			Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 93						17 (	Dec 90
Center P1-4 Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1 199 578 307 395 1479 628 1791	2 201 550 373 390 1514 643 1833	3 302 661 435 477 1874 797 2270	201 550 373 390 1514 643 1833	373 390	6 201 556 342 401 1500 638 1817	7 252 484 342 412 1489 633 1804	8 201 517 311 401 1430 608 1732	201 556 373 401	10 252 484 311 401 1447 615	11 201 517 342 40 146 62 1769	12 201 550 342 412 1504 639 1822	13 252 621 342 401 1616 687 1957	Total 2868 7140 4562 5269 19839 8432 24030
Report Services	94	90	110	88	91	94	94	93	92	93	92	94	94	1219
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	3992 118 0 4110 319	4080 121 0 4201 326	5051 150 0 5201 404	4078 121 0 4199 326	3995 119 0 4114 320	4049 120 0 4169 324	4020 119 0 4140 322	3862 115 0 3977 309	4129 123 0 4251 330	3909 116 0 4025 313	3943 117 0 4060 315	4059 121 0 4180 325	4353 129 0 4483 348	53520 1589 0 55110 4282
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	4430 7.46% 4430 7.46%	4528 7.82% 8957 15.08%	5605 9.44% 14563 24.52%	4526 7.82% 19086 32.14%	4434 7.46% 23522 39.60%	4493 7.56% 28015 47.17%	4461 7.51% 32476 54.66%	4286 7.22% 36761 61.90%	4581 7.71% 41343 69.61%	4338 7.30% 45681 76.91%	4375 7.37% 50056 84.28%	4505 7.58% 54561 91.87%	4831 8.13% 59391 100.00%	59391 100.00%

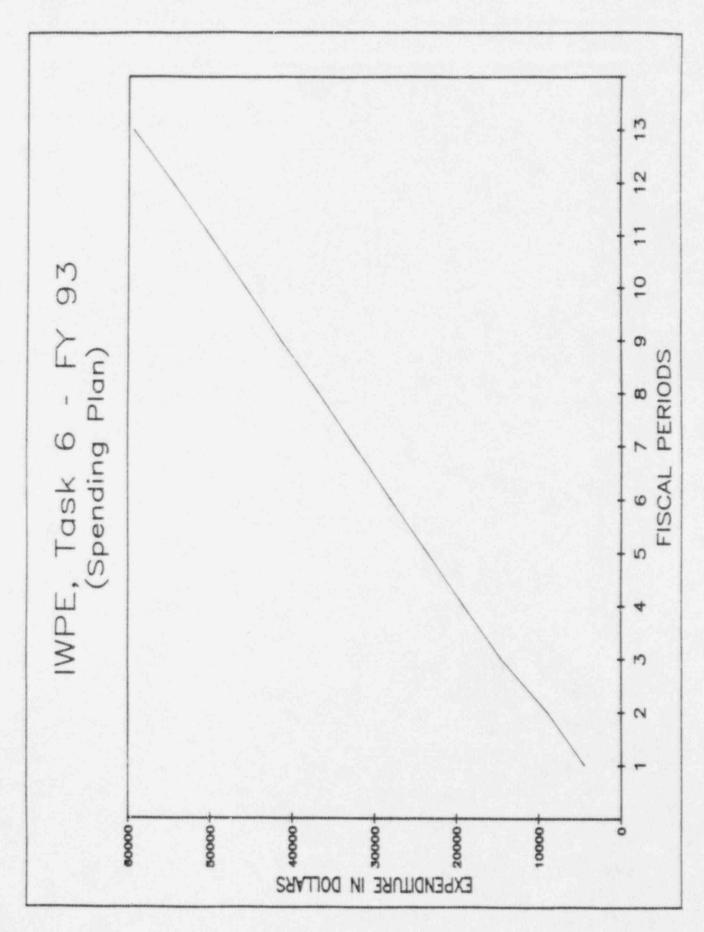


Figure 6.20 Task 6 Spending Plan, FY 93

3704-040 INTEG	R. WAST	E PACKAG	E EXP.		Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 94						17	Dec 90
Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1 213 6249 8782 2675 1180 19099 8117 23134	2 213 4248 5230 3285 1433 14408 6124	3 213 4109 5230 3305 1433 14289 6073 17307		4127 5164 3324 1444 14272	267 4109 5131 3246 1433 14185	7 213 4109 5197 3305 1444 14267 6064 17281	4183 5131	9 213 4020 4868 3108 1444 13653 5803 16538	10 267 3932 4407 2951 1455 13012 5530 15780	11 213 3946 4572 2931 1444 13106 5570 15875	12 53 3459 4177 2951 1148 11786 5009 14276	0 3352 4013 2891 1031 11288 4797	
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	519 547 1065 453	160 30 190 81	200 0 200 85	160 0 160 68	200	160	160 0 160 68	200	160 0 160 68	200 0 200 85	160 0 160 68	160 0 160 68	0	2633 577 3210 1364
SWRI Overhead	1822	325	341	273	341	273	273	341	273	341	273	273	341	5490
Material/Supply Report Services Travel	548 93 2098	547 89 2284	548 87 2284	547 86 2284	548 89 2285	547 91 2284	547 91 2283	548 91 2285	547 90 2144	548 91 2031	547 91 2031	548 23 2032	465 0 2031	7035 1012 28356
Consultants	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	644	643	8360
Subcontractors Ohio State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Est excl. CFC,Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	57072 1530 232 58834 4586	42143 1154 41 43339 3371	41856 1145 43 43045 3349	41588 1140 35 42740 3325	41818 1143 43 43003 3345	41459 1136 35 42630 3317	41677 1143 35 42855 3334	41868 1145 43 43054 3349	39918 1094 35 41046 3193	38240 1042 43 39326 3059	38363 1050 35 39448 3069	34818 944 35 35797 2785	33522 904 43 34470 2882	534317 14571 699 549587 42745
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Jost Cumul Completion	63400 10.70% 63400 10.70%	46710 7.89% 110110 18.59%	48393 7.83% 158503 26.42%	48066 7.78% 202569 34.20%	46348 7.82% 248917 42.02%	45947 7.76% 294865 49.78%	46189 7.80% 341053 57.58%	46404 7.83% 387457 65.41%	44240 7.47% 431697 72.88%	42386 7.16% 474082 80.04%	42517 7.18% 516599 87.21%	38583 6.51% 555181 93.73%	37151 6.27% 592333 100.00%	592333 100.00%

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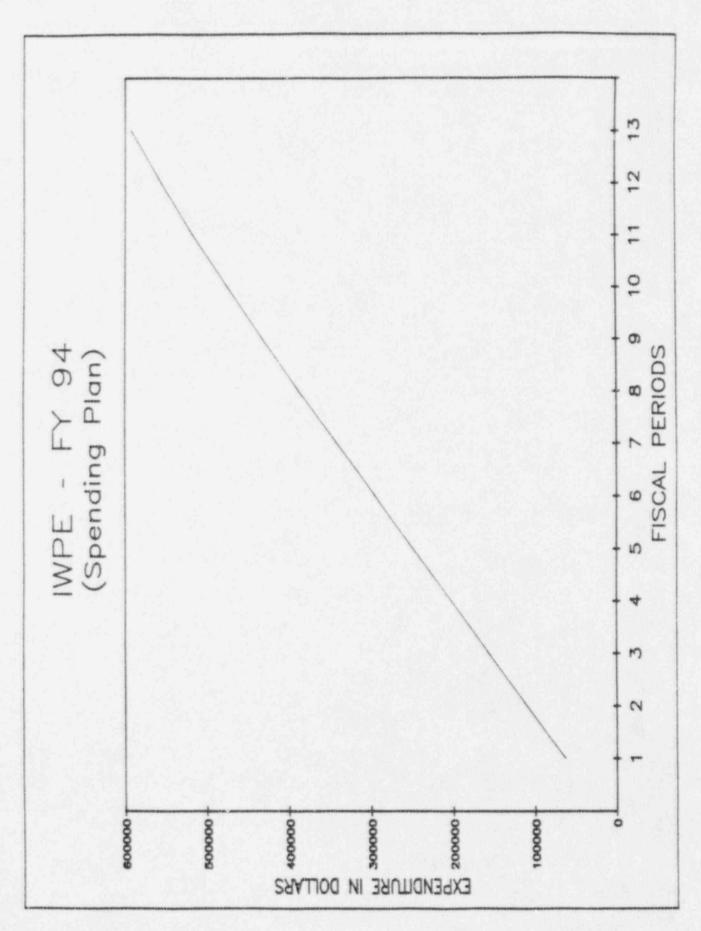


Figure 6.21 Composite Spending Plan, FY 94

Table 6.26 Manpower Plan, FY 94

3704-040 INTEGR. WASTE	PACKAGE	EXP.			Mar	power F	Plan F/Y	94						17	Dec 9
Center Labor	1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13]	Total
Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Clerical		188 267 136 103	4 126 159 167 125	4 122 159 168 125	123 157 167 125	4 122 157 169 126	5 122 156 165 125	122 158 168 126	124 156 167 129	119 148 158 126	5 116 134 150 127	117 139 149 126	1 104 127 150 100	0 101 122 147 90	1606 2039 2061 1553
Total Center Labor	1	698	581	578	578	578	573	578	580	555	532	535	482	460)	7306
Swri L: >or	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13]	Total
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2	1	13 18	1	5 0	4 0	5	4 0	4 0	5 0	4 0	5 0	4 0	4 0	51	66
Total Swri Labor	1	31	5	5	4	5	4	4	5	4	5	4	4	51	85

3704-041 CORRO	SION				Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 94						17 (	Dec 90
Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	3567 5789 1023 344 10723 4557 12988	939 1579 1200 458 4178 1775 5058	3 809 1381 1220 458 3868 1644 4685	767 1381 1220 458 3826 1626 4635	5 850 1381 1220 458 3910 1662 4736	767 1381 1200 447 3795 1613 4597	7 809 1381 1220 458 3868 1644 4685	8 809 1381 1220 458 3868 1644 4685	9 767 1381 1220 458 3826 1626 4630	10 850 1381 1220 458 3910 1662 4736	11 809 1381 1200 458 3848 1636 4661	12 767 1381 1220 458 3826 1626 4635	13 744 1250 1161 458 3612 1535 4378	Total 13254 22431 15539 5833 57058 24250 69111
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	359 547 906 385	0 30 30 13	0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 9 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0	359 577 936 398
SWRI Overhead	1549	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1601
Material/Supply Travel	548 561	547 748	548 748	547 748	548 749	547 748	547 748	548 748	547 748	548 748	547 748	548 749	465 748	7035 9539
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	32216 859 197 33272 2577	12399 335 7 12740 992	11493 310 0 11803 919	11382 307 0 11689 911	11604 313 0 11917 926	11300 304 0 11604 904	11492 310 0 11802 919	11493 310 0 11803 919	11382 367 0 11689 911	11603 313 0 11916 928	11440 308 0 11749 915	11384 307 0 11691 911	10736 289 0 11026 859	169927 4571 204 174702 13594
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulat_ve Cost Cumul Completion	35849 19.04% 35849 19.04%	13732 7.29% 49582 26.33%	12723 6.76% 62304 33.09%	12600 6.69% 74904 39.78%	12846 6.82% 87749 46.60%	12508 6.64% 100258 53.24%	12722 6.76% 112979 60.00%	12723 6.76% 125702 66.76%	12600 6.69% 138301 73.45%	12845 6.82% 151146 80.27%	12664 6.73% 163810 87.00%	12602 6.69% 176412 93.69%	11884 6.31% 188296 100.00%	188299 100.00%

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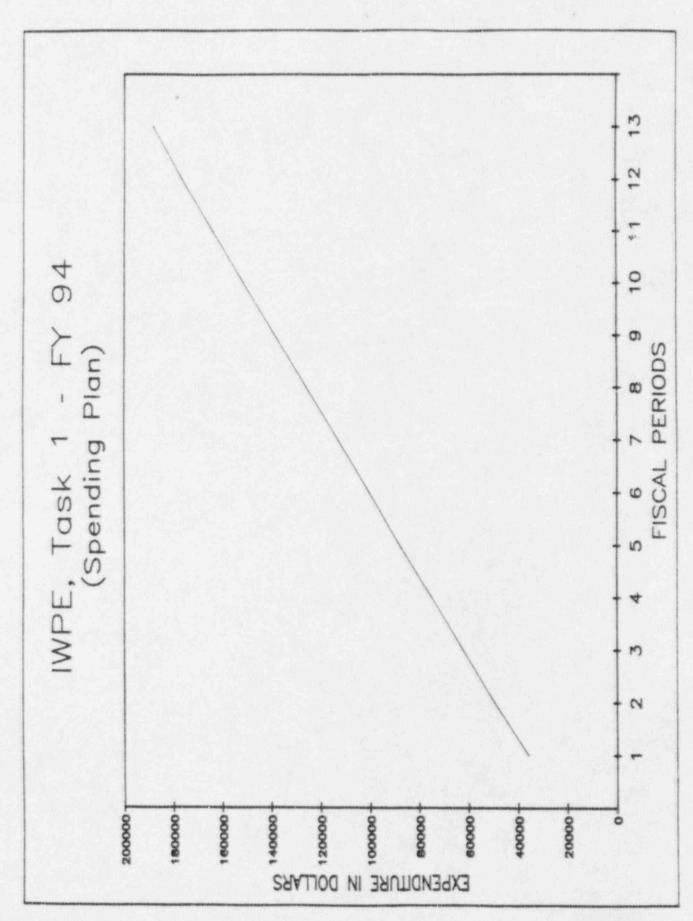


Figure 6.22 Task I Spending Plan, FY 94

3704-042 STRES	S CORRO	SION CRA	CKING		Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 94						17 (	Dec 90
Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center P1-1 Center Clerical Center Labur Center Burden Center Overhead	1 1525 1151 846 401 3923 1667 4752	2 2153 1908 1279 573 5912 2513 7161	3 2176 1973 1279 573 6001 2551 72 <del>69</del>	2185 1941 1279 584 5989 2545	1941	2185 1941	7 2111 1941 1279 573 5903 2509 7150	8 2185 1908 1259 596 5948 2528 7204	9 2185 2006 1279 573 6043 2568 7320	10 2153 1875 1279 573 5879 2499 7121	11 2144 1973 1279 573 5969 2537 7230	12 2153 1941 1279 584 5956 2531 7215	13 2185 1941 1279 573 5977 2540 7240	Total 27495 24437 16169 7323 75424 32055 81357
Swri Pl-3 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	160 160 68	160 160 68	200 200 85	160			160 160 68	200 200 85	160 160 68	200 200 85	160 160 68	160 160 68	200 200 85	2274 2274 967
SMRI Overhead	273	273	341	273	341	273	273	341	273	341	273	273	341	3889
Material/Supply Travel	450	0 450	0 450					0 450	449	0 450	0 450	0 450	0 450	0 5849
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	11293 314 35 11642 903	18536 474 35 17044 1323	16896 481 43 17420 1352	16739 480 35 17253 1339	16748 476 43 17267 1340	16708 479 35 17222 1337	16513 473 35 17020 1321	16755 477 43 17275 1340	16881 484 35 17400 1350	16574 471 43 17089 1326	16685 478 35 17198 1335	16653 477 35 17165 1332	16834 479 43 17356 1347	211814 6042 495 218352 16945
Tot Cost with Fee & Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	12545 5.33% 12545 5.33%	18387 7.81% 30912 13.14%	18772 7.98% 49884 21.12%	18592 7.90% 68277 29.02%	18607 7.91% 86884 36.93%	18559 7.89% 105443 44.81%	18341 7.80% 123784 52.61%	18616 7.91% 142400 60.52%	18750 7.97% 161150 68 49%	18415 7.83% 179565 76.31%	18533 7.88% 198098 84 19%	18497 7.86% 216595	18702 7.95% 235297	235297 100.00%

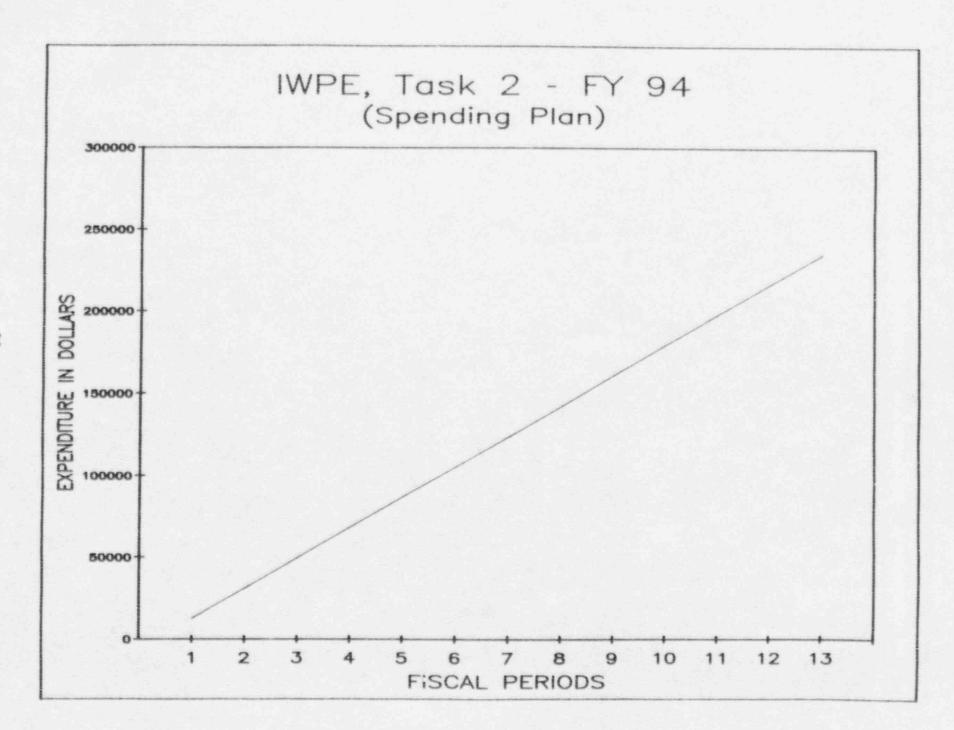


Figure 6.23 Task 2 Spending Plan, FY 94

Tot Cost with Fee 5305

% Completion

Cumulative Cost

5055

9.69%

10360

10.17%

5305

5401

5438

Cumul Completion 10.17% 19.88% 30.22% 40.64% 50.81% 60.58% 70.82% 81.18% 87.27% 90.50%

10.38% 10.43% 10.17%

15761 21199

5305

26504 31598

5094

5342

9.77% 10.24% 10.35% 6.09%

5400

36940 42340 45517

3177

1690

3.24%

47206

1727

3.31%

48934

93.82%

1593

3.05%

50527

96.87%

1632

3.13%

52159

100.00%

52159

100.00%

					Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 94						17	Dec 90
3704-043 MATER	IALS ST	ABILITY						-						
Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Labor Center Surden Center Overhead	1 228 822 669 1719 731 2082	756 649 1633 694	228 855 669 1752 745	4 293 822 649 1764 750 2137	5 228 822 669 1719 731 2082	228 789 629	260 822 649 1732 736	622 669 1752 744	130 460 452 1043 443	197 315 577 245	98 197 295 590 251	12 65 164 315 544 231 659	65 197 295 558 237	2377 7729 6924 17030 7238
SWRI Pl-3 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	0	0	0	0 0	0 0	0			000	0	0	0	0	0
SWRI Overhead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Material/Supply Travel	0 253	0 253	0 253	0 253	0 253	0 253	0 252	0 253	114	0	0 0	0	0	2137
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	4785 138 0 4922 383		4871 140 0 5012 390	4904 141 0 5046 392	4785 138 0 4922 383	4594 132 0 4726 368	4818 139 0 4956 385	4870 140 0 5011 390	84 0 2947	46 0 1568	47 0 1603	1435 44 0 1478 115	45 0 1514	1364 0 48396
Tot Cost with Eas	5205	5055	5401	5420	5205	5004			*****	******		******	******	*****

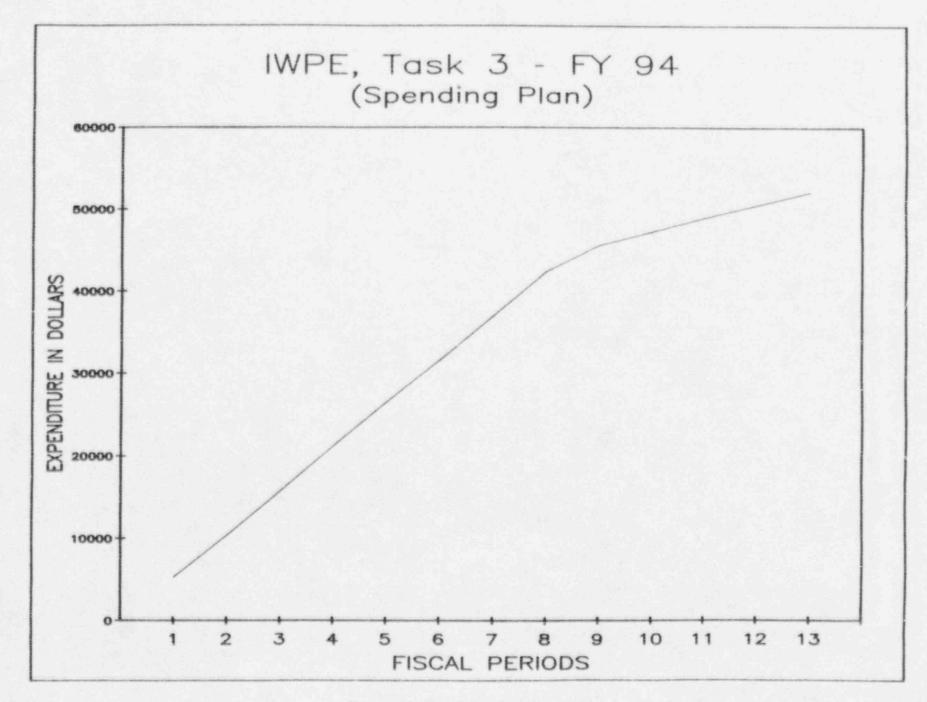


Figure 6.24 Task 3 Spending Plan, FY 94

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358 33 138 529 225 640	2 358 33 157 548 233 664	3 358 33 138 529 225 840	4 358 66 138 562 239 680	33 157 516 219	358 33 138 529 225	358 66 157 581 247	8 358 33 138 529 225 640	9 358 33 157 548 233 664	10 358 33 138 529 225 640	11 358 66 157 581 247 704	12 358 33 138 529 225 640	13 358 33 157 548 233 664	Total 4624 526 1908 7058 2999 8549
418	0 418	418	0 418	418	418	418	418	0 418	0 418	0 418	418	418	5 134
643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	643	644	643	8 :60
2455 42 0 2497 196 2694 7.58%	2507 44 0 2551 201 2751 7.74%	2455 42 0 2497 196 2694 7.58%	2542 45 0 2587 203 2790 7.85%	2421 41 0 2462 194 2656 7.47%	2455 42 0 2497 196 2694 7.58%	2593 47 0 2640 207 2847 8.01%	2455 42 0 2497 196 2694 7.58%	2507 44 0 2551 201 2751 7.74%	2455 42 0 2497 196 2694 7.58%	2593 47 0 2640 207 2847 8.01%	2456 42 0 2498 196 2695 7.58%	2507 44 0 2551 201 2751 7,74%	32 400 565 0 32965 2592 35557
	1 358 33 138 529 225 640 0 418 643 2455 42 0 2497 196	1 2 358 358 33 33 138 157 529 548 225 233 640 664  0 0 418 418 643 643  2455 2507 42 44 0 0 2497 2551 196 201  2694 2751 7.58% 7.74%	1 2 3 358 358 358 358 33 33 33 138 157 138 529 548 529 225 233 225 640 664 640  0 0 0 418 418 418 643 643 643  2455 2507 2455 42 44 42 0 0 0 0 2497 2551 2497 196 201 196 2694 2751 2694 7.58% 7.74% 7.58%	1 2 3 4 358 358 358 358 358 33 33 33 66 138 157 138 138 529 548 529 562 225 233 225 239 640 664 640 680  0 0 0 0 0 418 418 418 418 643 643 643 643  2455 2507 2455 2542 42 44 42 45 0 0 0 0 2497 2551 2497 2587 196 201 196 203  2694 2751 2694 2790 7.58% 7.74% 7.58% 7.65%	1 2 3 4 5 358 358 358 326 33 33 33 66 33 138 157 138 138 157 529 548 529 562 516 225 233 225 239 219 640 664 640 680 625  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 418 418 418 418 418 643 643 643 643 643  2455 2507 2455 2542 2421 42 44 42 45 41 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2497 2551 2497 2587 2462 196 201 196 203 194  2694 2751 2694 2790 2656 7.58% 7.74% 7.58% 7.85% 7.47%	1 2 3 4 5 6 358 358 358 326 358 33 33 33 33 66 33 33 33 138 157 138 138 157 138 529 548 529 562 516 529 225 233 225 239 219 225 640 664 640 680 625 640	1	1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 358 358 358 358 326 358 358 358 358 33 33 33 66 33 33 66 33 33 138 157 138 138 157 138 157 138 157 529 548 529 562 516 529 581 529 58 225 233 225 239 219 225 247 225 233 640 864 840 680 625 640 704 640 664  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 418 418 418 418 418 418 418 418 418 643 643 643 643 643 643 643 643 643  2455 2507 2455 2542 2421 2455 2593 2455 2507 42 44 42 45 41 42 47 42 44 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2497 2551 2497 2587 2462 2497 2640 2497 2551 198 201 196 203 194 196 207 196 201  2694 2751 2694 2790 2656 2694 2847 2694 2751 7.58% 7.74% 7.58% 7.47% 7.58% 8.01% 7.58% 7.74%	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 358 358 358 358 358 326 358 358 358 33 33 33 66 33 33 66 33 33 33 138 157 138 138 157 138 157 138 157 138 157 138 529 548 529 562 516 529 581 529 568 529 225 233 225 239 219 225 247 225 233 225 640 664 640 680 625 640 704 640 664 640  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 418 418 418 418 418 418 418 418 418 418 643 643 643 643 643 643 643 643 643 643	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 358 358 358 358 358 358 358 358 358 358	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 358 358 358 358 358 358 358 358 358 358	1 2 3 4 5 66 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 358 358 358 358 358 358 358 358 358 35

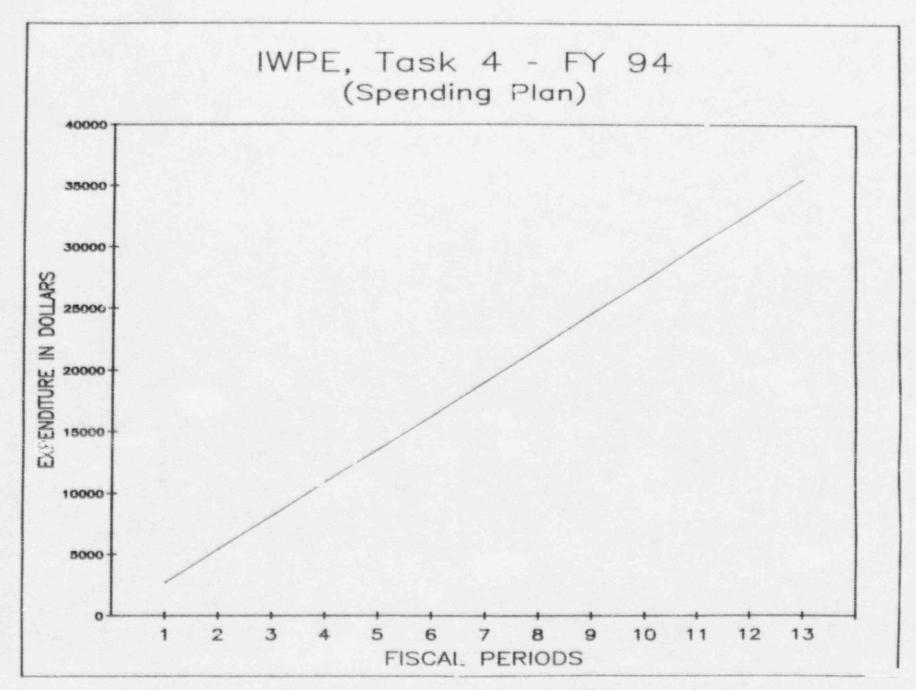


Figure 6.25 Task 4 Spending Plan, FY 94

3704-045 OTHER	DEGRAD	ATION MO	DES		Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 94	••					17	Dec 90
Center P1-2 Center Labor Center Burden Centar Overhead	625 625 266 757	2 592 592 252 717	3 592 592 252 717	592 592 252 717	5 592 592 252 717	6 592 592 252 717	7 592 592 252 717	8 592 592 252 717	9 592 592 252 717	592 592 252	11 592 592 252 717	12 592 592 252 717	592 592 252	Total 7729 7729 3285 9362
Material/Supply Travel	416	415	415	415	0 415	0 415	415	416			0 415	0 415		5397
Consultants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	e	0	0	0	0	0	0
Subcontractors Ohio State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	2063 50 0 2113 165	1976 47 0 2023 158	1976 47 0 2023 158	1976 47 0 2023 158	1976 47 0 2023 158	1976 47 0 2023 158	1976 47 0 2023 158	1977 47 0 2024 158	1976 47 0 2023 158	1976 47 0 2023 158	1976 47 0 2023 158	1976 47 0 2023 158	47 0 2023	25773 619 0 26392 2062
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	2279 8.01% 2279 8.01%	2181 7.67% 4460 15.67%	2181 7.67% 6841 23.34%	2181 7.67% 8822 31.00%	2181 7.67% 11003 38.67%	2181 7.67% 13185 46.34%	2161 7.67% 15353 54.00%	2162 7.67% 17548 61.67%	2181 7.67% 19729	2181 7.67% 21911	2181 7.67% 24092	2181 7.67% 26273	2181 7.67% 28454	28454

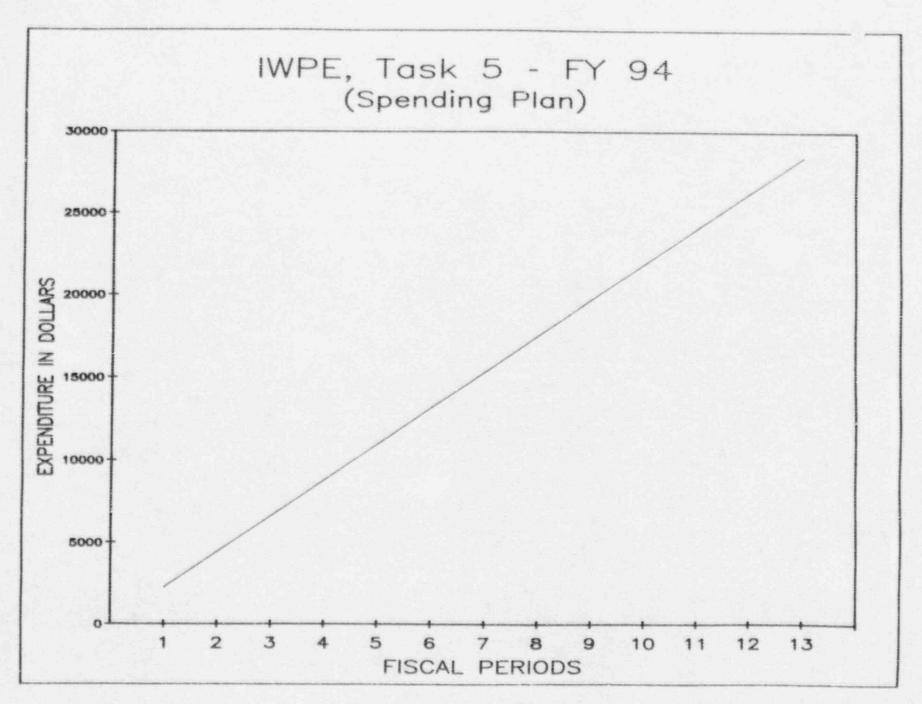


Figure 6.26 Task 5 Spending Plan, FY 94

370<-046 PROGR	ESS REP	ORTS			Spend	ing Plan	F/Y 94	-					17	Dec 90
Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1 213 570 362 435 1581 672 1915	2 213 570 362 401 1547 657	3 213 538 395 401 1547 857	4 213 529 362 390 1493 635 1809	213 570 395 413 1591 676		213	8 213 570 395 424 1602 681	213	267 505 329 424 1525 648	111 213 538 362 413 1525 648 1848	12 53 116 66 103 338 144 410	13 0 0 0 0 0	Total 2507 8227 4210 4641 17585 7474 21300
Report Services	93	89	87	86	89	91	91	91	90	91	91	23	0	1012
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	4261 127 0 4388 341	4166 124 0 4290 333	4165 124 0 4289 333	4023 120 0 4143 322	4283 127 0 4411 343	4426 132 0 4557 354	4285 127 0 4413 343	4315 128 0 4444 345	4308 128 0 4436 345	122	4113 122 0 4235 329	914 27 0 942 73	0 0 0 0 0 0	47371 1409 0 48780 3790
Tot Cost with Fee & Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	4728 8.99% 4728 8.99%	4623 8.79% 9352 17.79%	4622 8.79% 13974 28.58%	4465 8.49% 1843. 35.08%	4753 9.04% 23192 44.12%	4912 9.34% 28103 53.46%	4755 9.05% 32859 62.51%	4789 9.11% 37648 71.62%	4781 9.09% 42429 80.71%	4562 8 .68% 46991 89 .39%	4564 8.68% 51555 98.07%	1015 1.93% 52569 100.00%	0 0.00% 52569 100.00%	52569 100.00%

Figure 6.27 Task 6 Spending Plan, FY 94

## Spending Plan F/Y 95

Plan F/Y 95 17 Dec 90

3704-040	TMTECO	WACTE	DACKACE	EWD

Center Pl-4 Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	1 0 2727 3128 2453 1021 9330 3965 11300	1651 1703 1788 729 5871 2495	1662 1738 1705			6 9 1662 1147 1767 729 5306 2255 6427				10 825 348 437 243 1853 787 2244	11 0 870 348 457 255 1930 820 2337	12 0 825 382 457 243 1908 811 2311	13 0 793 313 437 231 1773 754 2148	Total 0 17439 14391 15655 7011 54495 23160 66007
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	169 0 169 72	211	169 0 169 72	211 0 211 90	169 0 169 72	169 0 169 72	211 0 211 90	169 0 169 72	211 0 211 90	169 0 169 72	169 0 169 72	211 0 211 90	169 0 169 72	2404 0 2404 1022
SWRI Overhead	288	361	298	361	288	288	361	288	361	288	288	361	288	4110
Material/Supply Report Services Travel	2031		0 0 2031	2031	0 0 2031	0 0 1595	0 1193	0 0 674	0 0 450	0 0 450	0	0 0 450	0 0 427	0 0 15851
Consultants	643	643	643	643	643	611	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3826
Subcontractors Ohio State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	27798 747 37 28582 2224	18814 470 46 19330 1505	18583 467 37 19087 1487	19174 481 46 19701 1534	18540 466 37 19043 1483	16722 425 37 17184 1338	13685 359 46 14090 1095	7808 201 37 8045 625	6050 150 46 6246 484	5863 148 37 6048 469	6066 155 37 6257 485	6142 153 46 6340 491	5630 142 37 5809 450	170874 4366 523 175763 13670
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	30806 16.26% 30806 16.26%	20835 11.00% 51641 27.26%	20574 10.86% 72215 38.12%	21235 11.21% 93450 49.33%	20526 10.84% 113976 60.17%	18521 9.78% 132497 69.94%	15185 8.02% 147682 77.96%	8670 4.58% 156352 82.54%	6730 3.55% 163082 86.09%	6517 3.44% 169599 89.53%	6742 3.56% 176342 93.09%	6832 3.61% 183174 96.70%	6260 3.30% 189433 100.00%	189433 100.00%

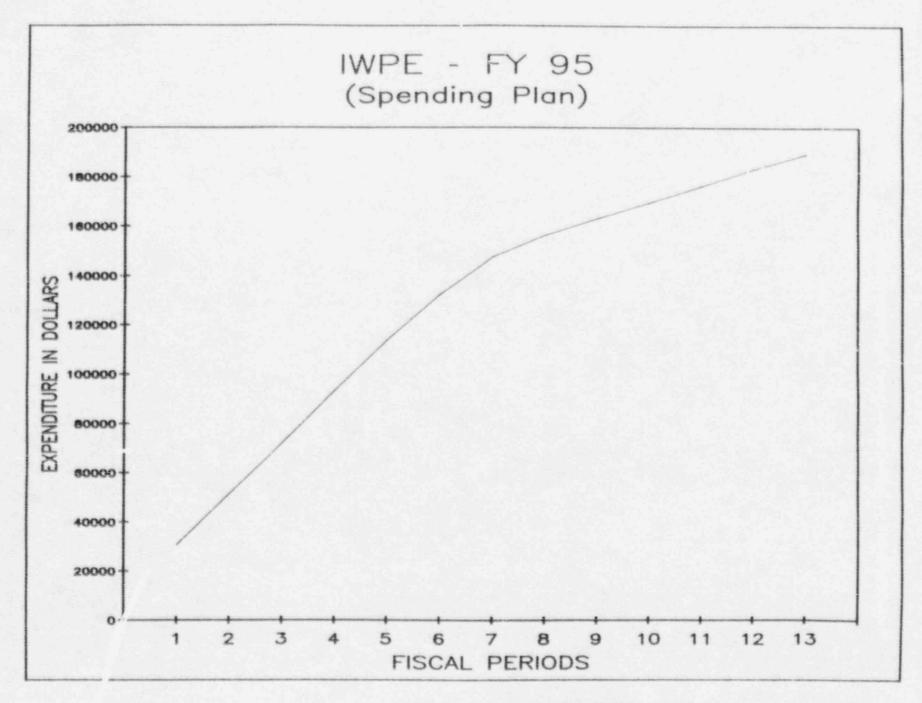


Figure 6.28 Composite Spending Plan, FY 95

Table 6.34 Manpower Plan, FY 95

Manpower Plan F/Y 95 17 Dec 90 3704-040 INTEGR. WASTE PACKAGE EXP. |Center Labor 8 9 10 11 12 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Center Pl-4 Center P1-3 Center P1-2 Center P1-1 Center Clerical \* Total Center Labor 1 374 Swri P1-3 Swri P1-2 

3704-041 CORRC	STON				Spend	ing Plan							17 (	Dec 90
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Center Pl-3 Center Pl-2 Center Pl-1 Center Clurical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	414 521 832 486 2253 957 2729	2 370 521 832 488 2209 939 2875	3 414 521 811 474 2220 943 2689	414 521 832 486 2253 957	5 370 521 832 486 2209 939 2675	6 414 521 832 486 2253 957 2729	7 414 521 832 486 2253 957 2729	139 249 146 632 269	0 0 0 0	10 0 0 0 0 0 0	11 0 0 0 0 0 0	12 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0	Total 2905 3789 6050 3536 16280 6919 19719
Swri Pl-3 Swri Pl-2 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden	0 0 0	0	0 0 0	0	0 0 0 0	0 0	0 0 0	0	0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0	0 0 0
SWRI Overhead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Material/Supply Travel	748	748	748	748	748	748	749	224	0	0	0	0	0	0 5461
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	6687 180 0 6867 535	6571 177 0 6747 526	6600 178 0 6778 528	6687 180 0 6867 535	6571 177 0 6747 526	6687 180 0 6867 535	6688 180 0 6868 535	1890 51 0 1941 151	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0	48379 1304 0 49683 3870
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	7402 13.82% 7402 13.82%	7273 13.58% 14675 27.40%	7308 13.64% 21981 41.04%	7402 13.82% 29383 54.87%	7273 13.58% 33658 68.45%	7402 13.82% 44058 82.27%	7403 13.82% 51461 96.09%	2092 3.91% 53553 100.00%	0 0.00% 53553 100.00%	0 0.00% 53553 100.00%	0 0.00% 53553 100.00%	0.00% 53553 100.00%	0.00% 53553 100.00%	53553 100.00%

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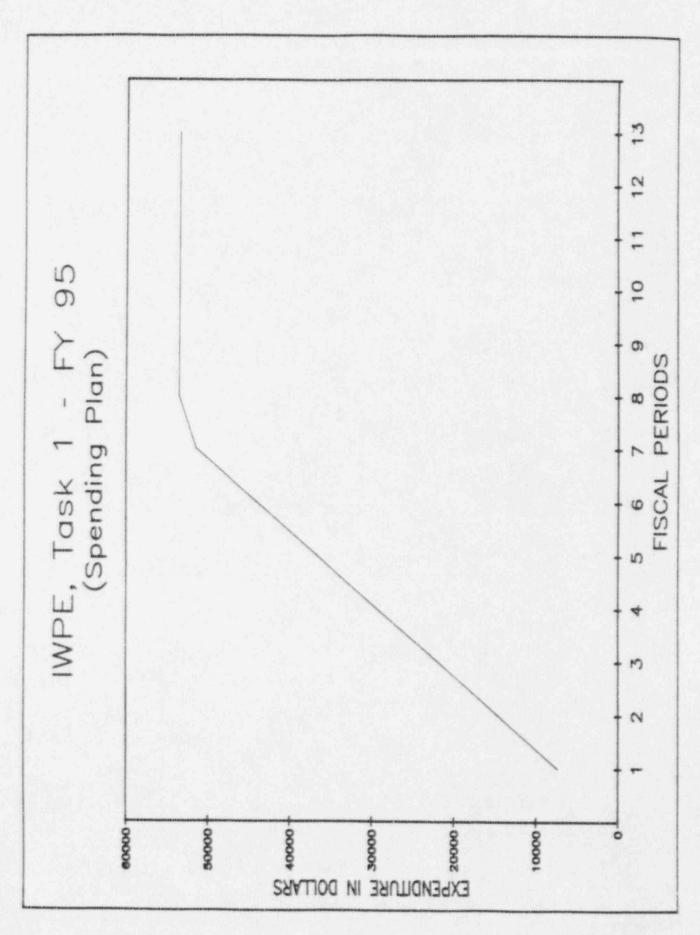


Figure 6.29 Task 1 Sperding Plan, FY 95

Cumul Completion

17.18%

24.13%

30.91%

38.21%

44.91%

51.83%

58.96%

65.77%

72.73%

79.48%

86.45%

93.52%

100.00%

## Spending Plan F/Y 95

17 Dec 90 3704-042 STRESS CORROSION CRACKING Total Center P1-3 Center P1-2 34B Center Pl-1 Center Clerical Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead Swri Pl-3 SWRI Labor SWRI Burden SWRI Overhead Material/Supply C Travel Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee --------------------.... .... ---\*\*\* .... ----.... Tot Cost with Fee \* Completion 17.16% 6.96% 6.78% 7.30% 6.70% 6.91% 7.13% 6.81% 6.96% 6.74% 6.98% 7.07% 5.48% 100.00% Cumulative Cost 

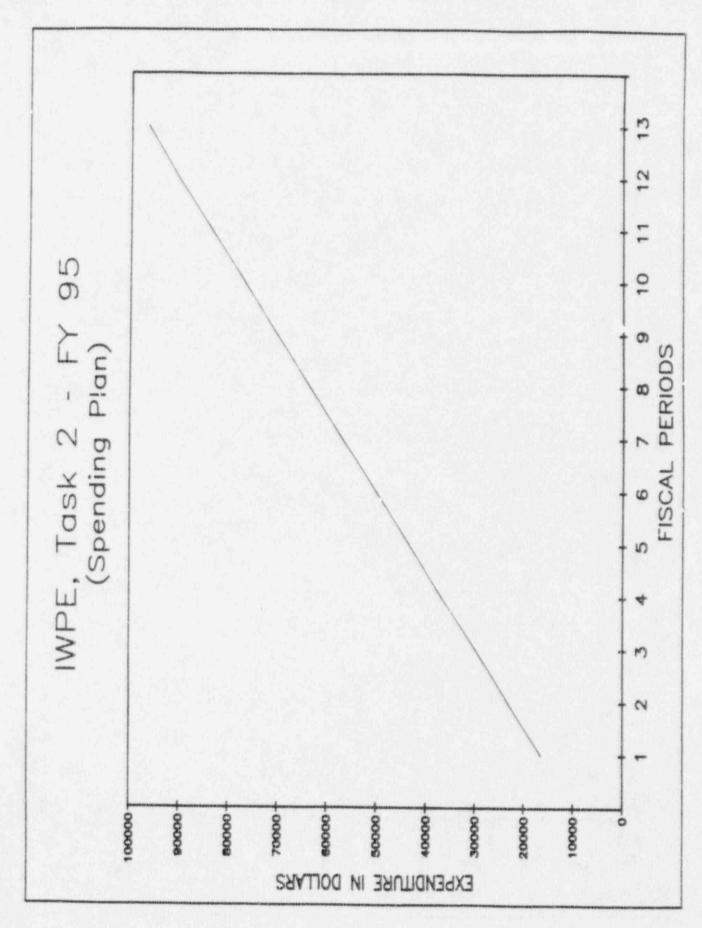


Figure 6.30 Task 2 Spending Plan, FY 95

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3704-043 MATER	IIALS ST	ABILITY												
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SWR: Overhead	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Material/Supply Travel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	1544 47 0 1591 123	1593 48 0 1641 127	1544 47 0 1591 123	1598 49 0 1647 128	1452 44 0 1496 116	1684 51 0 1735 135	24 0 823	0	0	0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	10214 310 0 10524 817
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	1714 15.11% 1714 15.11%	1768 15.59% 3482 30.71%	1714 15.11% 5198 45.82%	1775 15.65% 6971 61.47%	1612 14.22% 8584 75.69%	1870 16.49% 10454 92.18%	887 7.82% 11341 100.00%	11341	0.00% 11341 100.00%	0.00%	0.00% 11341 100.00%	0.00% 11341 100.00%	0.00% 11341	11341

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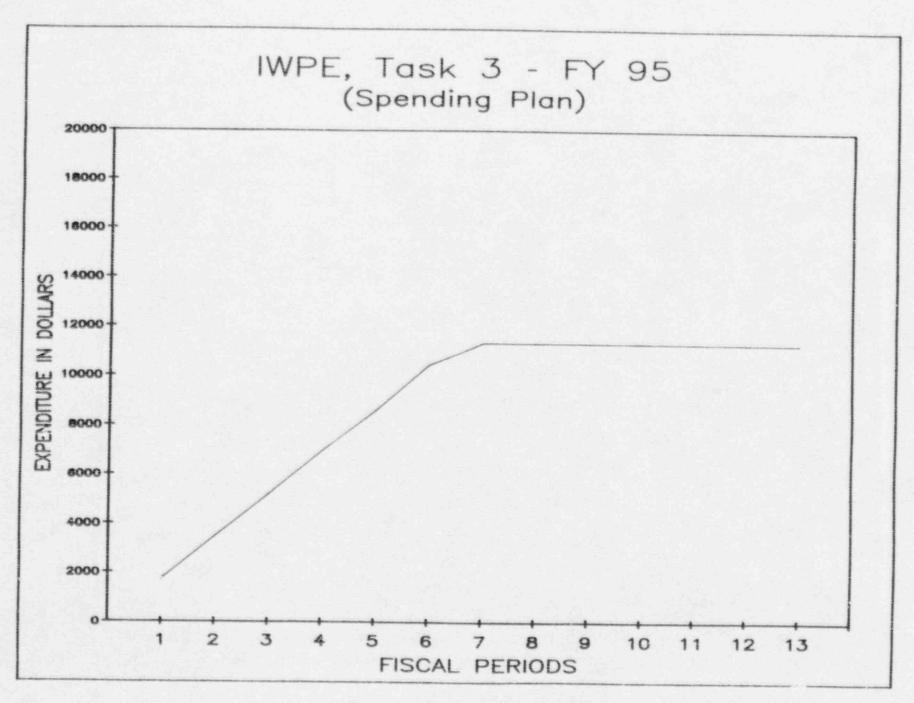


Figure 6.31 Task 3 Spending Plan, FY 95

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Material/Supply Travel	418	418	0 418	418	418	397	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2487
Consultants	643	643	843	643	643	611	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3826
Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWRI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	2572 46 0 2618 296	2535 45 0 2580 203	2480 43 0 2524 198	2480 43 0 2524 198	2627 48 0 2675 210	2342 41 0 2362 187	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0		0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	15037 265 0 1530
Tot Cost with Fee % Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion	2824 17.11% 2824 17.11%	2783 16.86% 5607 33.97%	2722 16.48% 8329 50.46%	2722 16.49% 11051 86.95%	2885 17.48% 13936 84.43%	2570 15.57% 16505 100.00%	0.00% 16505 100.00%	0.00% 16505 100.00%	0.00% 16505 100.00%	0 0.00% 16505 100.00%	0.00% 16505 100.00%	0.00% 18505 100.00%	0.00% 16505 100.00%	163.00%

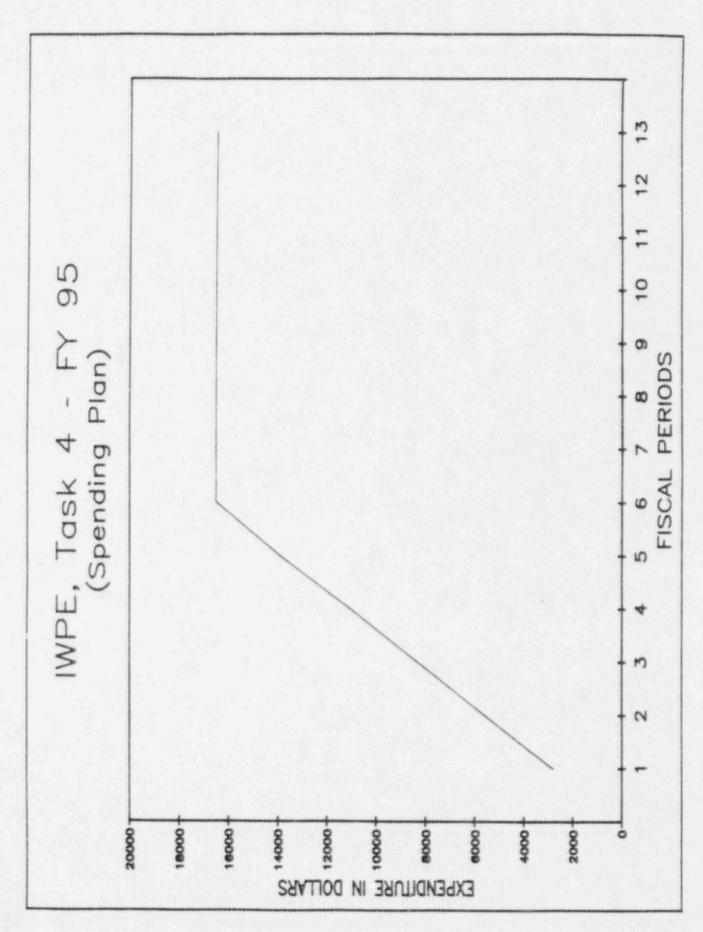


Figure 6.32 Task 4 Spending Plan, FY 95

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DEGRADA	626 626 2866 758	415	0	0		2280 20.00% 2280 20.00%
3704-045 OTHER	Center P1.2 Center Labor Center Burden Center Overhead	Material/Supply Travel	Consultants	Subcontractors Ohio State	Est excl. CFC, Fee Center CFC SWHI CFC Tot Estimate Cost Fee	Tot Cost with Fee * Completion Cumulative Cost Cumul Completion

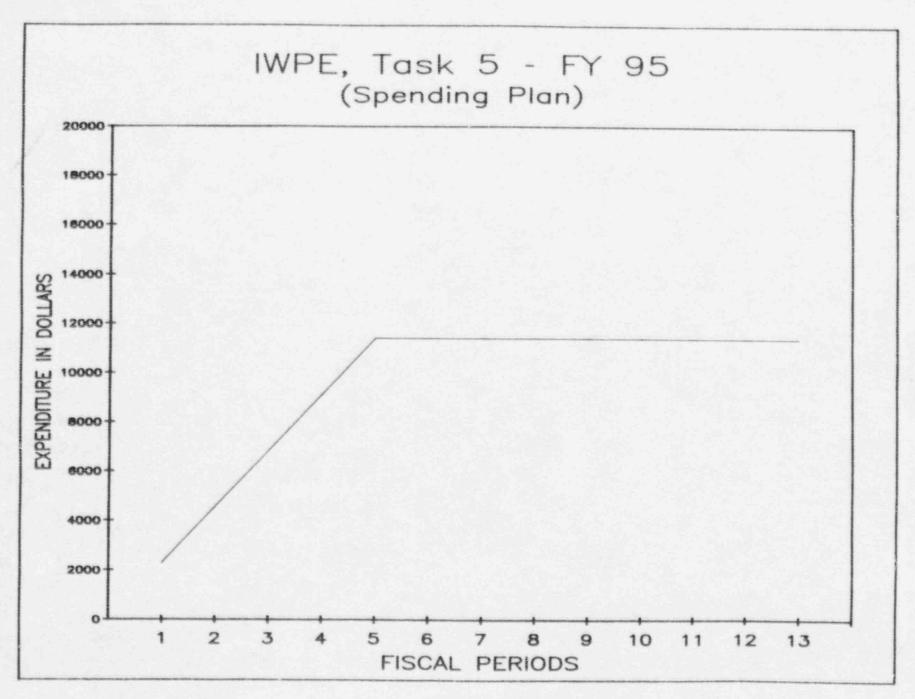


Figure 6.33 Task 5 Spending Plan, FY 95

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