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2 NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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4 In the matter of: :
5 METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY :
6 (Three Mile Island Unit 1) :
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Docket No. 50-289
(Restart)

25 North Court Street,
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Friday, November 7, 1980

11 Evidentiary hearing in the above-entitled
12 matter was resumed, pursuant to adjournment, at 9:00 a.m.

13 BEFORE:

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Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

15 DR. WALTER H. JORDAN, Member

16 DR. LINDA W. LITTLE, Member

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CHAIRMAN SMITH: Are you ready, Mr. Baxter?

1 MR. BAXTER: We may have a preliminary matter.

2 MR. CUTCHIN: Mr. Chairman, may I make a few
3 preliminary remarks?

4 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Yes, please.

5 MR. CUTCHIN: Mr. Chairman, the staff noticed
6 yesterday that perhaps the Board had some concerns with
7 respect to the scenario that took place at TMI 2, that we
8 were not able to fully address, although we are satisfied
9 that the evidence that we put in yesterday satisfactorily
10 addresses the contention that was being addressed, and we
11 feel that otherpieces of the puzzle, if you will, will be
12 supplied in our later evidence.

13 If it would be of assistance to the Board, the
14 staff would be happy to make available early next week or at
15 the Board's convenience a staff witness who does have an
16 in-depth understanding of the Three Mile Island 2 accident
17 scenario, who could address whatever concerns the Board may
18 wish to raise.

19 (Pause.)

20 DR. JORDAN: We are not so much concerned with
21 picking up again on UCS 1 and UCS 2. However, the
22 contention that we will be addressing today, UCS 8, and the
23 Board questions concerning it, will require, we believe,

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1 expertise from the staff on the TMI 2 accident, since the
2 TMI 2 accident was indeed a small break accident, and I was
3 going to mention to the staff this morning that in my
4 opinion the written testimony that has been submitted by the
5 staff is inadequate, and I will be calling on the staff to
6 address each one of the recommendations, as did the
7 licensee, in responding to the Board question.

8 I will ask the Board to have someone who can, who
9 has analyzed the licensee's response to each of the
10 recommendations and either agrees or disagrees that the
11 response from the licensee is adequate.

12 So, if the witness proposed is not adequate, or
13 prepared to do that, then it would behoove the staff to have
14 someone here who can indeed address the Board's question on
15 UCS 8.

16 MR. CUTCHIN: Then we will make every effort to
17 have the appropriate person here when our turn comes next
18 week.

19 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Another observation. You
20 correctly observed that the Board was having some difficulty
21 yesterday. In retrospect, I think that part of the problem
22 was that your witness was presented for a rather narrow
23 point, which point was indeed covered in his testimony.
24 However, he tried to place a narrow point into context, and
25 it was that context effort that caused the difficulties.

1 I think in the future when this arises, I think we
2 ought to take more pains at the beginning to separate, you
3 know, what is natural: told when you are trying to put your
4 narrow story into context from the actual context itself. I
5 think that might be helpful.

6 MR. CUTCHIN: We will make an attempt to do that
7 in the future, Mr. Chairman.

8 MS. WEISS: Mr. Chairman, if the staff is going to
9 put a new witness on to address these questions, and he is
10 going to present new testimony, we will ask that we be given
11 that in writing at least five days in advance as the rules
12 provide. That is not just a technicality. That is for us
13 to prepare.

14 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Well, Ms. Weiss, if you might
15 recall -- yes, you certainly are not going to ever have to
16 address any evidence in this case as to which you have not
17 had full notice. However, in this particular case, you are
18 going to have to follow the Board's wishes. We may give you
19 five. We may not. This is a contention that UCS
20 introduced, failed to pursue, the Board took up. We may ask
21 you to work fast and hard on it to keep up.

22 MS. WEISS: If you are talking about one and two,
23 we didn't drop those. Eight is correct. The Board is
24 pursuing on our request. I would just like to know if we
25 are going to have this testimony in writing in advance.

1 CHAIRMAN SMITH: You may or may not, depending on
2 the circumstances. We will try to do it.

3 MS. WEISS: Could I ask that the Board inquire
4 what staff's intention is?

5 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Concerning what?

6 MS. WEISS: Concerning production of this
7 witness. I thought Mr. Cutchin said he was going to put him
8 on the stand early next week.

9 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Mr. Cutchin offered for the
10 Board's consideration, and I don't recall that he had a
11 specific proposal.

12 MR. CUTCHIN: I understood Dr. Jordan to say that
13 he didn't need any further witness on UCS 1 and 2, but he
14 thought it would be important to have someone here for the
15 next group of contentions that could indeed address the
16 Three Mile Island 2 scenario, and it would be our intent to
17 offer that individual as a live witness, and he would give
18 his oral testimony in response to the concerns that Dr.
19 Jordan raised, and that is to address -- try to address each
20 of the applicant's responses to the specifics of the Board's
21 questions on UCS 8.

22 I don't have a name for that person at this
23 moment, so obviously I don't have anything in writing. But
24 we will make every effort to accommodate the Board's wishes
25 by next week, and it will have to be live.

1 CHAIRMAN SMITH: You don't believe you could have
2 written testimony? What is there of that next week?

3 MR. CUTCHIN: Could I have a moment, please?

4 CHAIRMAN SMITH: All right.

5 (Pause.)

6 MR. CUTCHIN: We will be getting together, Mr.
7 Chairman, with our witness back in Bethesda early Monday
8 morning, and we will just have to see what we can do between
9 then and the time the session takes up next week.

10 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Right. There is nothing about
11 next week which is magic for addressing this. The Board
12 would prefer having more deliberate consideration of the
13 problem plus the opportunity for UCS to have some warning to
14 meet the substantive requirements of advanced warning and
15 what they have to confront, so that next week does not have
16 to be the time for the testimony.

17 MR. CUTCHIN: I understand, sir, but we will make
18 every attempt to be able to address each of the items in
19 0565 and 0623 that the Board's questions covered as early as
20 we can. But if it is going to be immediately following the
21 licensee's testimony, it may well be live, and if the Board
22 has a different preference, of course, we will accommodate
23 that.

24 CHAIRMAN SMITH: I am just trying to satisfy the
25 substantive rights that intervenors and other parties may

1 have to have some advance notice of it, whether it be live
2 or written. That may require more time for that purpose
3 alone.

4 MR. CUTCHIN: It may well be, Mr. Chairman, that
5 we look at each of the licensee's responses and say we have
6 no problem with it, in which case there is no substantive
7 problem, and they have had warning, but we will just have to
8 see how it develops.

9 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Mr. Baxter?

10 MR. BAXTER: Yes. Licensee calls to the stand Mr.
11 T. Gary Broughton and recalls Mr. Robert C. Jones, Jr.

12 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Would you state your name, please?

13 MR. BROUGHTON: My name is Thomas Gary Broughton.

14 Whereupon,

15 THOMAS GARY BROUGHTON

16 and

17 ROBERT C. JONES

18 were called as witnesses, and having been first duly sworn
19 by the Chairman, were examined and testified further as
20 follows:

21 FURTHER DIRECT EXAMINATION

22 BY MR. BAXTER:

23 Q Gentlemen, I would like to call your attention to
24 two documents, each of which bear the caption of this
25 proceeding. The first is dated September 15, 1980, and it

1 is entitled Licensee's Testimony of Robert C. Jones, Jr.,
2 and T. Gary Broughton in Response to UCS Contention Number 8
3 and ECNP Contention Number 1(a), Additional LOCA Analysis.

4 The second document, which is dated October 28th,
5 1980, is entitled Licensee's Testimony of Robert C. Jones,
6 Jr., and T. Gary Broughton in Response to The Board Question
7 on UCS Contention 8.

8 Do these documents include testimony that you
9 prepared under your direct supervision for presentation in
10 this hearing. Mr. Jones?

11 A (WITNESS JONES) No.

12 Q Mr. Broughton?

13 A (WITNESS BROUGHTON) No.

14 Q Do you have any changes or corrections to make to
15 the testimony which is associated with your name in these
16 documents? Mr. Jones?

17 A (WITNESS JONES) No.

18 Q Mr. Broughton?

19 A (WITNESS BROUGHTON) No.

20 Q Is the testimony associated with your name in
21 these documents true and accurate to the best of your
22 knowledge and belief? Mr. Jones?

23 A (WITNESS JONES) Yes.

24 Q Mr. Broughton?

25 A (WITNESS BROUGHTON) Yes.

1 MR. BAXTER: Mr. Chairman, I would ask that each
2 document be received into evidence and incorporated into the
3 transcript as if read.

4 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Without objections, we will
5 receive the documents.

6 (The documents referred to follow:)

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LICENSEE'S TESTIMONY OF
 ROBERT C. JONES, JR., AND T. GARY BROUGHTON
 IN RESPONSE TO UCS CONTENTION NO. 8
 AND ECNP CONTENTION NO. 1(e)
(ADDITIONAL LOCA ANALYSIS)

OUTLINE

The purposes and objectives of this testimony are to respond to UCS Contention 8, which asserts that adequate small-break loss of coolant accident (LOCA) analyses have not been performed, and to respond to related Board questions. The testimony addresses the small-break LOCA analyses performed prior to the TMI-2 accident and their conformance to 10 CFR Part 50, Section 50.46. The purpose, assumptions and results of small-break analyses subsequent to the TMI-2 accident are described. Operating guidelines and procedures for small-break LOCA mitigation are discussed. It is shown that adequate protection for small-break LOCA's is provided.

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INTRODUCTION

This testimony, by Mr. Robert C. Jones, Jr., Supervisory Engineer, ECCS Analysis Unit, Babcock & Wilcox Company, and Mr. T. Gary Broughton, GPU Control and Safety Analysis Manager, is addressed to the following contention:

UCS CONTENTION NO. 8

10 CFR 50.46 requires analysis of ECCS performance "for a number of postulated loss-of-coolant accidents of different sizes, locations, and other properties sufficient to provide assurance that the entire spectrum of postulated loss-of-coolant accidents is covered." For the spectrum of LOCA's, specific parameters are not to be exceeded. At TMI, certain of these were exceeded. For example, the peak cladding temperature exceeded 2200° fahrenheit (50.46(b)(1)), and more than 1% of the cladding reacted with water or steam to produce hydrogen (50.46(b)(3)). The measures proposed by the staff address primarily the very specific case of a stuck-open power operated relief valve. However, any other small LOCA could lead to the same consequences. Additional analyses to show that there is adequate protection for the entire spectrum of small break locations have not been performed. Therefore, there is no basis for finding compliance with 10 CFR 50.46 and GDC 35. None of the corrective actions to date have fully addressed the demonstrated inadequacy of protection against small LOCA's.

ECNP Contention 1(e) was accepted only to the extent that ECNP was permitted to adopt UCS Contention 8. Consequently, ECNP Contention 1(e) is not quoted here. (See, Board Memorandum and Order, September 8, 1980.) UCS withdrew its

sponsorship of UCS Contention 8, which has been adopted as a Board Question (See, Board Memorandum and Order of Prehearing Conference of August 12-13, 1980, dated August 20, 1980).

RESPONSE TO UCS CONTENTION NO. 8

BY WITNESS JONES:

UCS Contention 8 asserts that analyses to demonstrate conformance with 10 CFR Part 50, Section 50.46 (10 CFR 50.46) for the entire spectrum of small-break loss of coolant accident (LOCA) locations have not been performed. Additionally, it is stated that none of the corrective measures being implemented for TMI-1 assure that adequate protection is provided for small-break LOCA's. Contrary to the contention, compliance with 10 CFR 50.46 has been demonstrated and adequate protection for small-break LOCA's is provided.

Prior to the TMI-2 accident, small-break LOCA evaluations had been performed to verify conformance of TMI-1 to 10 CFR 50.46. In order to perform these analyses, the break location which imposes the most severe requirements on the ECCS was identified. As a result of this identification, an analysis was performed of the core flood line break, which results in only one core flood tank and one high pressure injection train available to mitigate the accident under the worst single failure assumption. Also, an analysis of a spectrum of breaks

in the reactor coolant pump discharge piping was performed, as this location results in the loss of a portion of the high pressure injection fluid. These analyses were performed using the B&W ECCS evaluation model which has been approved by the NRC as meeting the requirements of Appendix K to 10 CFR Part 50. The actual analyses which were performed are contained in References 1 and 2, and are summarized in Table 1. For the worst case break, the peak cladding temperature was less than 1100°F and no metal-water reaction nor cladding rupture were calculated to occur. Therefore, conformance to 10 CFR 50.46 was demonstrated.

The analysis performed prior to the TMI-2 accident assumed the use of only safety-grade equipment for accident mitigation, and assumed no mitigating operator actions within ten minutes of the initiating event, except as follows:

- o Emergency feedwater was assumed to be available.
- o Operator action to cross-connect the High Pressure Injection System (HPI) was determined to be required in the event of a small break in the reactor coolant pump discharge piping and the postulated failure of the HPI train which discharges into the unbroken coolant loop.

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

With regard to the first of the above items, Licensee's testimony on the Emergency Feedwater System (in response to Licensing Board Question No. 6) will address the reliability of the Emergency Feedwater System (EFW).

BY WITNESS JONES:

In the event of a loss of all feedwater following the EFW upgrade, the feed and bleed mode of emergency cooling is available for LOCA mitigation. See Licensee's testimony on Natural and Forced Circulation (in response to UCS Contentions Nos. 1 and 2).

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

With regard to the second of the above items, modifications to the high pressure injection lines have been made to add cross connections and flow limiting devices to ensure sufficient flow without operator action (See, TMI-1 Restart Report, Supplement 1, Part 3, responses to questions 1, 2 and 3).

BY WITNESS JONES:

Subsequent to the TMI-2 accident, additional small-break LOCA analyses were performed. In light of the fact that the severity of the TMI-2 accident was aggravated by operator

actions, the purpose of these analyses was to provide an improved analytical basis for emergency operating procedures for small-break LOCA's, not to demonstrate compliance with 10 CFR 50.46. A description of the events analyzed, the key assumptions, and the results of the evaluations are provided in Tables 2 through 8. The analyses performed included an extension of the lower end of the break spectrum previously analyzed, an assessment of the effect of failures in the feedwater system, and an assessment of small-break LOCA's with delayed reactor coolant pump trip. From these analyses it was concluded that multiple failures must occur before a LOCA scenario can result in a challenge to 10 CFR 50.46 limits. A summary of the results of the analyses is also provided below:

- o In the event of a loss of all feedwater, without a small-break LOCA, operator action within twenty minutes to either establish emergency feedwater or manually actuate high pressure injection assures that the core remains covered, thus assuring adequate core cooling. (See Table 2.)
- o In the event of a small-break LOCA with loss of all feedwater, ECCS may not be automatically actuated. For this situation, operator action within twenty minutes to either establish emergency feedwater flow (which will in turn result

in automatic ECCS actuation), or to manually actuate high pressure injection, assures that the core remains covered, thus assuring adequate core cooling. (See Table 3.)

- o In the event of a loss of main feedwater followed by the pressurizer power operated relief valve (PORV) opening and failing to close, the automatic actuation of high pressure injection is sufficient to assure adequate core cooling. (See Table 4.)
- o In the event of the pressurizer PORV opening and failing to close, followed by the loss of all feedwater, the automatic actuation of high pressure injection is sufficient to assure adequate core cooling. (See Table 5.)
- o For certain very small breaks (between 0.005 ft^2 and 0.01 ft^2) which cause a loss of coolant inventory at a rate in excess of the capacity of high pressure injection, the steam generators would normally be utilized to remove a portion of the energy added to the primary system fluid by core decay heat. During the transition from natural circulation to the boiler-condenser

mode of cooling (see Licensee's testimony on Natural and Forced Circulation in response to UCS Contention No. 1), an interruption of the energy removal process from the primary system will occur due to void formation in the hot legs, and the primary system pressure will increase. However, the subsequent establishment of steam condensation by the steam generators as a heat removal mechanism controls the repressurization and assures that the core remains covered, thus assuring adequate core cooling. (See Table 6.)

- o If the reactor coolant pumps operate continuously throughout the LOCA transient, or are tripped promptly upon receipt of a low reactor coolant pressure safety signal, adequate core cooling is provided for all break sizes. For certain break sizes (between 0.025 ft^2 and 0.2 ft^2), adequate core cooling has not been demonstrated if the reactor coolant pumps remain in operation and are subsequently tripped at certain times in the transient. Therefore, in order to assure adequate core cooling, the reactor coolant pumps should be tripped

promptly following automatic initiation of high pressure injection. (See Table 7.)

- o In the event of a very small LOCA with loss of all feedwater, system repressurization may actuate the PORV which can subsequently stick open. For this situation, operator action within twenty minutes to either establish emergency feedwater flow (which will in turn result in automatic ECCS actuation) or to manually actuate high pressure injection assures that the core remains covered, thus assuring adequate core cooling. (See Table 8.)

Similar to the pre-TMI-2 analyses, the analyses performed after the accident assumed the use of only safety-grade equipment for accident mitigation, and assumed no mitigating operator actions within ten minutes of the initiating event, except for the two items previously identified (at page 3 above) and the manual action of tripping of the reactor coolant pumps following automatic initiation of high pressure injection.

The system behavior which results in the instruction for pump trip involves an extended loss of inventory due to continuous operation of the reactor coolant pumps. While continued pump operation provides forced circulation cooling of

the core, it also causes more fluid inventory to be discharged out the break than would otherwise occur for certain break sizes. As a result of this increased loss of inventory, the fluid in the Reactor Coolant System will evolve to a high void fraction. If the pumps are tripped after a high void fraction is reached, the available water in the Reactor Coolant System would not be sufficient to keep the core covered. If the core is significantly uncovered, the cladding temperature would begin to increase and the ECCS may not provide, under these conditions, reflooding of the core at a rate which assures that cladding temperatures are maintained within the criteria of 10 CFR 50.46. Since all analyses have confirmed that the plant can be maintained in a safe condition (as defined by 10 CFR 50.46) during a small-break LOCA without the reactor coolant pumps operating during the transient, provision for prompt tripping of the pumps upon indication of a LOCA (receipt of a low reactor coolant pressure safety injection signal) assures that adequate core cooling is provided. While other, non-LOCA events may lead to a low pressure safety signal, tripping of the reactor coolant pumps for these events still allows adequate core cooling to be provided.

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

The generic analyses performed by B&W are applicable to TMI-1. The low pressure reactor trip setpoint has been raised to 1900 psig and the Engineered Safety Features Actuation

System (ESFAS) setpoint has been raised to 1600 psig, the values assumed in the generic analyses. (See TMI-1 Restart Report sections 11.2.11 and 11.2.12).

BY WITNESS JONES:

Based upon the analyses described above, B&W has also developed operator guidelines for managing small-break LOCA's. These guidelines contain two parts: Part I provides the guidelines which define operator actions during a small-break LOCA; Part II provides a description of plant behavior during a small-break LOCA and discusses the effect of the operator actions given in Part I.

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

TMI-1 procedures have subsequently been developed to implement these guidelines. The TMI-1 Emergency Procedures which implement the B&W Loss of Coolant Accident guidelines place strong emphasis on maintaining reactor coolant system pressure-temperature relationships to assure that a subcooling condition of at least 50°F exists. Specifically, procedures require that upon automatic initiation of high pressure injection, flow shall not be reduced unless: (1) low pressure injection pumps are in operation and flowing at a rate of not less than one thousand gallons per minute each and the situation has been stable for 20 minutes; or (2) all hot and cold leg temperatures are at least 50°F below the saturation

temperature for the existing reactor coolant system pressure and the flow reduction is necessary either to prevent pressurizer level from going off scale high or to avoid excessive reactor vessel pressure/downcomer temperature limits. If 50°F subcooling cannot be maintained, the procedure requires the high pressure injection system to be reactivated. In situations where high pressure injection is manually initiated, flow reductions are permitted only if reactor coolant system pressure is above 1600 psig and the 50°F subcooling margin exists and can be maintained, or if the criteria for flow reductions following automatic initiation are satisfied.

BY WITNESS JONES:

In summary, extensive small-break analyses have been performed for the TMI-1 facility. These analyses demonstrate that small LOCA's can be mitigated within the criteria of 10 CFR 50.46. Also, additional small-break analyses have been performed in order to develop improved emergency procedures. Thus, contrary to the contention adequate protection for small LOCA's has been demonstrated and is provided.

References

1. Topical Report, BAW-10103A, Rev. 3, "ECCS Analysis of B&W's 177-FA Lowered Loop NSS," July 1977.
2. Letter, J. H. Taylor (B&W) to S. A. Varga (NRC), July 18, 1978.

TABLE 1
PRE-TMI-2 LOCA EVALUATIONS

Topical Report BAW-10103A, Rev. 3

- o Core Flood Tank Line Break
- o 0.5 ft² Reactor Coolant Pump Discharge Piping Break
- o 0.04 ft² Reactor Coolant Pump Suction Piping Break

Letter Report, J. H. Taylor (B&W) to S. A. Varga (NRC), July 18, 1978

- o 0.15 ft² Reactor Coolant Pump Discharge Piping Break
- o 0.10 ft² Reactor Coolant Pump Discharge Piping Break
- o 0.085 ft² Reactor Coolant Pump Discharge Piping Break
- o 0.07 ft² Reactor Coolant Pump Discharge Piping Break
- o 0.055 ft² Reactor Coolant Pump Discharge Piping Break
- o 0.04 ft² Reactor Coolant Pump Discharge Piping Break

TABLE 2

LOSS OF ALL FEEDWATER WITHOUT SMALL-BREAK LOCA

Sequence of Events and Assumptions

- o Loss of main feedwater occurs.
- o Direct trip on loss of feedwater fails and reactor trips on high reactor coolant pressure.
- o Loss of offsite power occurs coincident with reactor trip.
- o Emergency feedwater is not provided to steam generators.
- o Reactor coolant pressure continues to increase.
- o Pressurizer PORV does not open.
- o Pressurizer safety valves open.
- o Core decay heat is 1.0 times the ANS standard value.
- o Single failure occurs in the High Pressure Injection System.

Summary of Results

- o Operator action within twenty minutes to initiate emergency feedwater will lower reactor coolant pressure and terminate loss of reactor coolant inventory, assuring adequate core cooling; or
- o Operator action within twenty minutes to activate high pressure injection provides sufficient reactor coolant inventory to assure adequate core cooling.

TABLE 3

SMALL-BREAK LOCA WITH LOSS OF ALL FEEDWATER

Sequence of Events and Assumptions

- o Small-break LOCA occurs.
- o Reactor trip occurs on low reactor coolant pressure.
- o Loss of offsite power and loss of main feedwater occur coincident with reactor trip.
- o Emergency feedwater is not provided to steam generators.
- o Core decay heat is 1.2 times the ANS standard value.
- o Both high pressure injection trains function.

Summary of Results

- o For break sizes greater than 0.01 ft^2 emergency core cooling is automatically initiated and no operator action is required to assure adequate core cooling.
- o For break sizes equal to or less than 0.01 ft^2 the setpoint for initiation of high pressure injection is not reached. Operator action within twenty minutes to initiate emergency feedwater (which will subsequently result in high pressure injection) or to actuate high pressure injection will assure adequate core cooling.

TABLE 4

LOSS OF MAIN FEEDWATER WITH PORV FAILURE

Sequence of Events and Assumptions

- o Loss of main feedwater occurs.
- o Direct trip on loss of feedwater fails and reactor coolant pressure increases.
- o Pressurizer PORV opens and does not close.
- o Reactor trip occurs on high reactor coolant pressure.
- o Emergency feedwater is provided to steam generators.
- o Core decay heat is 1.2 times the ANS standard value.
- o Single failure occurs in the High Pressure Injection System.

Summary of Results

- o Automatic actuation of high pressure injection provides sufficient reactor coolant inventory to assure adequate core cooling.

TABLE 5

PORV FAILURES FOLLOWED BY LOSS OF ALL FEEDWATER

Sequence of Events and Assumptions

- o Pressurizer PORV fails open and does not close.
- o Reactor trip occurs on low reactor coolant pressure.
- o Loss of offsite power and loss of main feedwater occur coincident with reactor trip.
- o Emergency feedwater is not provided to steam generators.
- o Core decay heat is 1.0 times the ANS standard value.
- o Single failure occurs in the High Pressure Injection System.

Summary of Results

- o Automatic actuation of high pressure injection provides sufficient reactor coolant inventory to assure adequate core cooling.

TABLE 6

VERY SMALL LOCA WITH LOSS OF MAIN FEEDWATER

Sequence of Events and Assumptions

- o Very small-break LOCA ($0.005 - 0.01 \text{ ft}^2$) occurs.
- o Reactor trips on low reactor coolant pressure.
- o Loss of off-site power and loss of main feedwater occur coincident with reactor trip.
- o Emergency feedwater is provided to steam generators.
- o Core decay heat is 1.2 times the ANS standard value.
- o Single failure occurs in the High Pressure Injection System.

Summary of Results

- o Natural circulation initially removes core decay heat, then is interrupted as reactor coolant inventory decreases.
- o Reactor coolant pressure increases when natural circulation is interrupted, then is stabilized by steam condensation in the steam generators.
- o Automatic actuation of high pressure injection provides sufficient reactor coolant inventory to assure adequate core cooling.

TABLE 7

SMALL-BREAK LOCA WITH DELAYED REACTOR COOLANT PUMP TRIP

Sequence of Events and Assumptions

- o Small-break LOCA between 0.025 ft^2 and 0.2 ft^2 occurs.
- o Reactor trips on low reactor coolant pressure.
- o Reactor coolant pumps initially continue to operate, then are tripped at a later time during the accident.
- o Core decay heat is 1.2 times the ANS standard value.
- o Both high pressure injection trains function.

Summary of Results

- o If the reactor coolant pumps continue to operate, adequate core cooling is assured.
- o If the reactor coolant pumps trip after a high system void fraction is reached, adequate core cooling has not been demonstrated.
- o If the reactor coolant pumps are tripped promptly upon automatic initiation of high pressure injection, adequate core cooling is assured.

TABLE 8

SMALL-BREAK LOCA WITH LOSS OF ALL FEEDWATER
AND SUBSEQUENT PORV FAILURE

Sequence of Events and Assumptions

- o Very small-break LOCA (0.01 ft^2) occurs.
- o Reactor trips on low reactor coolant pressure.
- o Loss of offsite power and loss of main feedwater occur coincident with reactor trip.
- o Emergency feedwater is not provided to steam generators.
- o Core decay heat is 1.2 times the ANS standard value.
- o Both high pressure injection trains function.
- o Reactor Coolant System repressurization results in PORV opening and remaining open.

Summary of Results

- o Operator action within twenty minutes to initiate emergency feedwater (which will subsequently result in high pressure injection) or to actuate high pressure injection provides sufficient reactor coolant inventory to assure adequate core cooling.

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LICENSEE'S TESTIMONY OF
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OUTLINE

This testimony supplements Licensee's Testimony of Robert C. Jones, Jr., and T. Cary Broughton in Response to UCS Contention No. 8 and ECNP Contention No. 1(e) (Additional LOCA Analysis), dated September 15, 1980. In particular, this testimony responds to the one aspect of the Board Question on UCS Contention 8 which was not addressed by the earlier testimony -- namely, the recommendations made in NUREG-0565 and NUREG-0623.

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INTRODUCTION

This testimony, by Mr. Robert C. Jones, Jr., Supervisory Engineer, ECCS Analysis Unit, Babcock & Wilcox Company, and Mr. T. Gary Broughton, GPU Control and Safety Analysis Manager, is addressed to the following Board Question regarding UCS Contention 8:

BOARD QUESTION REGARDING UCS CONTENTION 8

The board directs the staff and the licensee to present experts and the fundamental documents involved in the small break LOCA analysis, and to have very complete testimony on this subject. The recommendations of NUREG-0565 and NUREG-0623 should be addressed.

It appears from the small break LOCA analysis that there is a large amount of reliance upon operator action and on non-safety grade equipment. The board wants that issue explored by testimony, including why such reliance is proper.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESSES JONES AND BROUGHTON:

Licensee's testimony in response to UCS Contention 8 addresses the small break loss of coolant accident (LOCA) analyses which have been performed to support the operation of TMI-1. The exhibits identified as items 3-13 in Licensee's Certificate of Service dated September 15, 1980, and provided to the parties pursuant hereto, present the fundamental results of these small break LOCA analyses.

The limited extent to which operator action and non-safety-grade equipment are utilized in the analyses for accident mitigation is discussed in the previously filed testimony (pages 3, 4, 8 and 9). Those discussions also address why such reliance is appropriate.

The following is a response to each of the recommendations (applicable to licensees) presented in NUREG-0565, "Generic Evaluation of Small Break Loss-of-Coolant Accident Behavior in Babcock & Wilcox Designed 177-FA Operating Plants," and in NUREG-0623, "Generic Assessment of Delayed Reactor Coolant Pump Trip during Small Break Loss-of-Coolant Accidents in Pressurized Water Reactors."

Provide a system which will assure that the block valve protects against a stuck-open PORV. This system will cause the block valve to close when RCS pressure has decreased to some value below the pressure at which the PORV should have reseated. This system should incorporate an override feature. Each licensee should perform a confirmatory test of the automatic block valve closure system.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

Design and installation of an automatic PORV block valve closure system is not being pursued at this time. The need for such a system has not been determined by appropriate analysis, which is called for by Item II.K.3.7 of NUREG-0660. Furthermore, it is not obvious that the addition of a closure system would be a modification which would provide greater safety, since the system may result in an increased probability of challenge to the pressurizer safety valves. Until the evaluations in response to Item II.K.3.7 are completed, the need to design and install an automatic block valve closure system has not been established.

Most overpressure transients should not result in the PORV opening. Therefore, licensees should document that the PORV will open in less than five percent of all anticipated overpressure transients using the revised setpoints and anticipatory trips for the range of plant conditions which might occur during a fuel cycle.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

Anticipated transients which produce an increase in Reactor Coolant System (RCS) pressure and which might cause the pressurizer power operated relief valve (PORV) to open include loss of feedwater, loss of external electrical load, turbine trip, uncontrolled control rod withdrawal from startup conditions, inadvertent closure of main steam isolation valves (MSIV's), and inadvertent moderator boron dilution. For any of these events the greatest potential for opening the PORV exists at the beginning of the fuel cycle when there is the minimum beneficial reactivity feedback. As the fuel cycle progresses, the moderator and Doppler negative reactivity feedback increases, thereby diminishing the magnitude of overpressurization. Also, as shown below, not every overpressurization event results in opening the PORV.

Overpressurization due to a loss of main feedwater, loss of electrical load or turbine trip will not cause the PORV to open because of the anticipatory trip functions which have been installed at TMI-1 and because of the increased PORV opening set pressure. This is the case at any time in the fuel cycle.

Safety analyses performed for TMI-1 (Final Safety Analysis Report) of the moderator dilution event at full power indicate peak system pressures lower than the present PORV opening setpoint. The lowered high pressure trip setpoint provides further assurance that the PORV will not open.

Inadvertent closure of the MSIV's does not result in a direct reactor trip and will result in an increase in primary system pressure. The most severe results from this event would involve closure of all MSIV's in a short time (a few seconds). At TMI-1, however, the MSIV closure time is about 2 minutes and inadvertent closure of the MSIV's is not expected to result in PORV actuation. Also, no inadvertent closure of all MSIV's has been experienced on a B&W plant to date.

Inadvertent control rod withdrawal from startup conditions can result in primary system overpressurization for a narrow range of small reactivity insertion rates. These are events which result in a relatively slow overpressurization requiring actuation of the high reactor coolant pressure trip rather than a high flux trip. The lowered high pressure trip setpoint and increased PORV opening setpoint, however, reduce the potential for PORV opening. Also, an event of this nature has not happened at a B&W plant to date.

In summary, there are some overpressurization events which can lead to PORV opening. Anticipated transients which have occurred, however, will not now result in PORV actuation due to the addition of anticipatory trip functions and the revision of the high pressure trip and PORV opening set points. Other, less frequent events which can currently result in PORV opening have not occurred to date at a B&W plant. Therefore, while no quantitative assessment of PORV opening has been performed for overpressurization events, it is readily apparent that this fraction is less than 5%.

NUREG-0565, RECOMMENDATION 2.1.2.c

All failures of PORVs to reclose should be reported promptly to the NRC. All challenges should be reported in annual reports.

NUREG-0565, RECOMMENDATION 2.1.2.e

All failures of safety valves to reclose should be reported promptly to the NRC. All challenges should be reported in annual reports.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

Licensee will propose changes to the TMI-1 Technical Specifications that will require reporting of failures or challenges to the PORV and safety valves as recommended.

Licensees should submit a report to the NRC which discusses the safety valve failure rate experienced in B&W operating plants.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

Licensee is unaware of any instances of failures of Reactor Coolant System safety valves at any B&W plant. See Licensee's testimony in response to the Board Question on UCS Contention 6.

NUREG-0565, RECOMMENDATION 2.2.2.a

The analysis methods used for small break LOCA analysis by B&W should be revised, documented, and submitted for NRC approval.

NUREG-0565, RECOMMENDATION 2.2.2.b

Plant-specific calculations using the NRC approved model for small breaks should be submitted by all licensees to show compliance with 10 CFR 50.46.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

The small break LOCA analyses which were performed after the TMI-2 accident were done to provide an improved analytical basis for emergency procedures for small break LOCA's. These analyses were not performed to demonstrate compliance with 10 CFR 50.46. NUREG-0565 states that the post-TMI-2 analyses are beyond those normally considered in small break analyses and that the NRC Staff has some concerns relative to the use of the currently approved small break model for these purposes. However, NUREG-0565 (Section 2.2.1) also contains the following conclusion: "The small break analysis methods used by B&W are satisfactory for the purpose of predicting trends in plant behavior following small break LOCAs and for training of reactor operators." NUREG-0565 does not state that the

approved B&W small break evaluation is difficient for demonstrating compliance for TMI-1 with respect to 10 CFR 50.46 and Appendix K. While further code development may be performed and model modifications may be made, the changes are not expected to result in a substantial change to the Appendix K evaluations performed for TMI-1.

The effects of core flood tank injection on small break LOCAs should be further investigated to determine the amount of condensation realistically expected and to determine its effect on heatup and core unclogging. The condensation model and modeling procedures (i.e., injection location used in the computer analyses) require further investigation to assure that the effects of CFT injection are biased in a conservative manner. Semiscale and LOFT test data should be used to verify the models.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

This Staff concern relates to the potential for a large underprediction of system pressure, due to the analytical assumption of instantaneous steam condensation on the cold Core Flood Tank (CFT) water delivered to the RCS during a small break. Contrary to this concern, the small break analyses performed for TMI-1 do not predict large pressure oscillations caused by core flood injection. Thus, while further examination of this phenomena may be performed, the small break predictions are not expected to be substantially altered.

NUREG-0565, RECOMMENDATION 2.3.2.a

Tripping of the RCPs in the event of a LOCA is not an ideal solution. The licensees should consider other solutions to the small break problem, for example, an increase in the HPI flow rate. In the interim, until a better solution is found, the RCPs should be tripped automatically in the case of a small break LOCA. The signals designated to initiate the RCP trip should be carefully selected in order to differentiate between a small break LOCA and other events which do not require the RCPs to be tripped.

NUREG-0623, CONCLUSION 6.0(4)

From items (2) and (3), above, we find that tripping all of the reactor coolant pumps during small break LOCAs is required at this time, and that this pump trip should be automatically initiated from equipment that is safety-grade to the extent possible.

NUREG-0623, CONCLUSION 6.0(5)

The impact of an early pump trip on non-LOCA transients is not predicted to lead to unacceptable consequences. However, tripping the reactor coolant pumps for non-LOCA transients can aggravate the consequences of these transients and extend the time required to bring the plant into controlled shutdown condition. For B&W plants, tripping of the reactor coolant pumps during severe overcooling events increases the potential for interruption of natural circulation due to steam formation in the coolant loops.

Therefore, we conclude that the criteria and requirements for reactor coolant pump trip to be established from item (4), above, should minimize, to the extent practicable, the probability of initiating a reactor coolant pump trip for non-LOCA transients.

NUREG-0623, CONCLUSION 6.0(6)

The staff recognizes the potential desirability of running the reactor coolant pumps to provide forced circulation during small break LOCAs and we encourage the continued

exploration by the industry of means by which this could be accomplished. For example, an increase in HPI capacity or two-pump operation as proposed by Combustion Engineering are a step in this direction.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

The TMI-1 Restart Report, Supplement 1, Part 3, response to question 11, presents the design characteristics of our proposed reactor coolant pump trip system. This system is based on a coincident loss of sub-cooling margin and high pressure injection actuation. The NRC Staff has accepted this approach as described in NUREG-0680 (SER at p. C2-18).

The B&W small break LOCA analyses rely on equipment which has not previously been characterized as part of the reactor protection system or part of the engineered safety features. The equipment used to provide the necessary RCP trip, the pressurizer PORV and PORV block valve, and equipment used to actuate the PORV and PORV block valve fall into this category. The reliability and redundancy of these systems should be reviewed and upgraded, if needed, to comply with the requirement of Section 9 of NUREG-0585, regarding the interaction of non-safety and safety-grade system.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

The equipment used in the post TMI-2 accident small break LOCA analyses (the analyses addressed in NUREG-0565) which is not part of the Reactor Protection System or of the engineered safety features is identified in Licensee's testimony in response to UCS Contention 8 and ECNP Contention 1 (Additional LOCA Analysis) (pages 3, 4, 8 and 9).

The specific items utilized in the analyses are the Emergency Feedwater System and the equipment used to provide reactor coolant pump trip. The pressurizer power operated relief valve (PORV) and PORV block valve have not been relied upon in the LOCA analyses.

Plant simulators used for operator training should offer, as a minimum, the following small break LOCA events:

- (1) continuous depressurization;
- (2) pressure stabilized at a value close to secondary system pressure;
- (3) repressurization;
- (4) stuck-open PORV; and
- (5) stuck-open letdown valve.

Each of these cases should be simulated with RCPS running as well as tripped. The first three events should be simulated for both cold and hot leg breaks. In addition to the usual assumed single failures in the ECCS and feedwater systems, complete loss of feedwater should also be simulated in conjunction with the above events. It is important that training programs also expose the operators to various kinds of system transients on inadequate core cooling as discussed in Section 2.1.9 of NUREG-0778.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

Operator training, including the use of simulators, will be addressed in Licensee's testimony on management competence.

The various modes of two-phase natural circulation, which are expected to play a significant role in plant response following a small break LOCA, should be demonstrated experimentally. In addition, the staff requires that the licensees provide verification of their analysis models to predict two-phase natural circulation by comparison of the analytical model results to appropriate integral systems tests.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

The B&W small break LOCA evaluation model includes appropriate consideration of the mechanisms responsible for natural circulation. The computer code utilized models both density changes and flow losses under single- and two-phase fluid conditions. Thus, the evaluation model should reasonably predict the various modes of two-phase natural circulation. Additionally, for small break LOCA's, the steam generators do not have an important influence on the transient except for those cases where the break size is insufficient to discharge energy at least equal to that added by the core decay heat. As noted in Licensee's testimony in response to UCS Contentions 1 and 2 (Natural and Forced Circulation) (pages 6 and 7), this break size would be less than approximately 0.02 ft^2 . Breaks smaller than 0.02 ft^2 will retain substantially more system inventory than the design basis small break, which is approximately 0.07 ft^2 , and have large margins relative to the

potential for core uncovering. Therefore, while further examination of two-phase natural circulation phenomena may be performed, TMI-1 is still expected to conform to 10 CFR 50.46.

Appropriate means, including additional instrumentation, if necessary, should be provided in the control room to facilitate checking whether natural circulation has been established.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

Checks that natural circulation has been established are included in appropriate plant procedures and require observing primary system hot and cold leg temperatures for a constant differential and observing that cold leg temperature approaches secondary system saturation temperature. The instrumentation used in this determination are located in the control room.

Licensees should provide an analysis which shows the plant response to a small break which is isolated and the PORV fails-open upon repressurization of the reactor coolant system to the PORV setpoint.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

A specific analysis providing the plant response to a small break which is isolated and the PORV fails-open upon repressurization of the RCS to the PORV setpoint has not been performed. However, based on the analyses discussed in Licensee's testimony in response to UCS Contention 8 and ECNP Contention 1(e) (Additional LOCA Analysis), the response to this event can be described.

Initially, as a result of the small break, the system will depressurize. Actuation of the High Pressure Injection system (HPI) will automatically occur, assuming feedwater availability, prior to the loss of natural circulation. Should break isolation occur after natural circulation is lost and prior to the establishment of the boiler-condenser mode of steam generator heat removal, system repressurization would occur. Assuming that the repressurization reaches the PORV setpoint and that the PORV subsequently sticks open, a transient very similar to that calculated for a PORV initially

stuck open would then occur. Adequate core cooling would be continuously maintained for this transient by the fluid provided by HPI.

Licensees should provide an analysis which shows the plant response to a small break in the pressurizer spray line with a failure of the spray isolation valve to close.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

A break in the pressurizer spray line along with a failure of the spray isolation valve to close results in inventory loss from both the RCS cold leg and the top of the pressurizer. The leak rates from the cold leg would be limited by the area of the spray line, 0.025 ft^2 , and from the pressurizer the leak rate would be limited by the flow area of the spray nozzle in the pressurizer, 0.072 ft^2 . The small break LOCA analyses performed for TMI-1 to demonstrate conformance to 10 CFR 50.46 envelope the total leak flow area for this case. Thus, system inventory losses similar to that which would occur for this scenario have already been considered in the LOCA analyses. However, for this accident, liquid inventory would remain in the pressurizer while the TMI-1 small break analyses empty the pressurizer. The effect of the stored inventory in the pressurizer for this event is expected to be offset by the increased availability of HPI for core cooling. In the analyses performed for TMI-1, less than 70% of the HPI was calculated to enter the core due to the direct bypass of the

injected fluid out the break, which was assumed to be located in the bottom of the cold leg pump discharge piping between the HPI nozzle and the reactor vessel. For the spray line break, no HPI fluid would bypass out the break without first entering the vessel. The increased HPI flow for the spray line break would establish long term cooling earlier, relative to an equivalently sized pump discharge break, and is expected to offset the effect of the stored inventory in the pressurizer. Therefore, an analysis of this accident is not expected to provide results which are in excess of 10 CFR 50.46 limits.

Licensees should provide confirmatory information to show that HPI and CFT flows during small breaks are insufficient to form water slugs, or if they do, to show that the structural design bases of the primary system includes loads due to:

1. water slug inertial motion;
2. water slug impact; and
3. pressure oscillation due to steam condensation

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

During small breaks, water slugs are not expected to be formed as a result of HPI and CFT flows. The HPI flows would be less than $140 \text{ ft}^3/\text{min}$ during a small break transient. Since the piping volume from the HPI nozzle to the reactor vessel is 280 ft^3 , it would take two minutes to fill the pipe. Also, the reactor vessel internals vent valves will continuously equalize pressures throughout the primary system. Therefore, the HPI water will drain into the vessel and there is no mechanism available to hold the HPI water in the cold leg pipe. Thus, slug flow as a result of the HPI will not occur.

The water injected from the CFT's also is not expected to produce slug flow since the fluid is directly injected into the reactor vessel downcomer. Also, the internals vent valves minimize pressure gradients within the vessel such that no

holdup of injected CFT water will occur. Thus, no water slugs
will occur as a result of CFT injection.

Licensees should provide an analysis of the possibility and impact of RCP seal damage and leakage due to loss of seal cooling on loss of offsite power. If damage cannot be precluded, licensees should provide an analysis of the limiting small break LOCA with subsequent RCP seal failure.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

This recommendation was addressed in Licensee's response to R.W. Reid's letter of November 21, 1979, which was provided by letter No. TLL-285, dated June 30, 1980. In this response, a description of the RCP seal system and its cooling was provided along with a discussion of the probable degradation mechanism, the time and methods available to restore seal cooling, and the result of loss of cooling for up to 60 minutes. The results of that analysis did not indicate that excessive seal leakage would occur within 60 minutes.

NUREG-0565, RECOMMENDATION 2.6.2.g

Licensees shall provide pretest predictions of LOFT Test L3-6 (Reactor Coolant Pumps Running).

NUREG-0623, CONCLUSION 6.0(7)

We will require verification of small break models with the pumps running against appropriate integral systems experimental tests. In particular, we will require that the PWR vendors and fuel suppliers perform pretest predictions of the LOFT SBLOCA test with pumps running scheduled to be performed in March of 1980.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS BROUGHTON:

GPU is a participant in the B&W owners' group program to predict LOFT L3-6. This analysis will be performed by B&W and provided to the NRC.

With regard to the effects of noncondensable gases during a small break LOCA, the licensees should provide the following information:

1. The technical justification for omitting the radiolytic decomposition of injected ECC water as a source of noncondensable gas; and
2. Confirmatory information to verify the predicted condensation heat transfer degradation in the presence of noncondensable gases.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

Analyses of the effect of noncondensibles on the condensation heat transfer process in the steam generator during a small break LOCA have been performed. These analyses, which included the effects of radiolytic decomposition, determined that sufficient condensation surface would remain within the steam generator and that the boiler-condenser mode would not be prohibited. Additionally, even under a postulated condition that the noncondensable gases prohibited condensation, HPI can be operated in a feed and bleed mode to supply adequate core cooling - see Licensee's testimony in response to UCS Contentions 1 and 2 (Natural and Forced Circulation). Thus, while further examination of the effect of noncondensibles on the condensing heat transfer process within the steam generator may be performed, provisions are available at TMI-1 to assure adequate core cooling.

By use of analysis and/or experiment, address the mechanical effects of induced slug flow on steam generator tubes.

RESPONSE

BY WITNESS JONES:

Analysis of the effect of induced slug flow on the steam generator has been performed. The analysis assumed that a sudden front of water impacted the tube sheet with a flow equivalent to that of normal operation. It was assumed that this load was suddenly applied and that the entire load was absorbed by the tubes directly under the inlet nozzle of the steam generator. The loading on a steam generator tube was calculated to be 21.5 lbf, in comparison to the theoretical buckling load of approximately 700 lbf. Thus, induced slug flow will not affect the integrity of the steam generator tubes.

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Criteria of 10 CFR 50.46 and Appendix
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Engineer and Supervisory Engineer,
ECCS Analysis Unit, B&W. Responsible
for calculation of large and small
break ECCS evaluations, evaluations of
mass and energy releases to the
containment during a LOCA, and
performance of best estimate pretest
predictions of LOCA experiments as
part of the NRC Standard Problem
Program. Involved in the preparation
of operator guidelines for small-break
LOCA's and inadequate core cooling
mitigation.

1 which is a letter dated July 18, 1978, from J. H. Taylor of
2 Babcock and Wilcox to S. A. Varga, of the NEC, with attached
3 Additional ECCS Small Break Analysis.

4 (The document referred to was
5 marked for identification as
6 Licensee Exhibit Number 4.)

7 MR. BAXTER: As Licensee's Exhibit Number 5,
8 document entitled Evaluation of Transient Behavior and Small
9 Reactor Coolant System Breaks in the 177 Fuel Assembly
10 Plant, Volume I, Section 6, "Small Break Analyses," May 7,
11 1979.

12 (The document referred to was
13 marked for identification as
14 Licensee Exhibit Number 5.)

15 MR. BAXTER: I would like marked for
16 identification as Licensee's Exhibit Number 6 a document
17 entitled Small Break in the Pressurizer (PORV) With No
18 Auxiliary Feedwater and Single Failure of the ECCS,
19 Supplement 1 to the May 7, 1979, Small Break Analysis, dated
20 May 12, 1979.

21 (The document referred to was
22 marked for identification as
23 Licensee Exhibit Number 6.)

24 MR. BAXTER: I would like marked for
25 identification as Licensee's Exhibit Number 7 a document

1 entitled Small Break in the Pressurizer (PORV) with no
2 Auxiliary Feedwater and Single Failure of the ECCS, with
3 Realistic Decay Heat, Supplement 2 to the May 7, 1979, Small
4 Break Analyses, dated May 12, 1979.

5 (The document referred to was
6 marked for identification as
7 Licensee Exhibit Number 7.)

8 MR. BAXTER: I would like marked for
9 identification as Licensee's Exhibit Number 8 a document
10 entitled Auxiliary Feedwater Flow Required for LOCA,
11 Supplement 3 to the May 7, 1979, Small Break Analyses, and
12 dated May 24, 1979.

13 (The document referred to was
14 marked for identification as
15 Licensee Exhibit Number 8.)

16 MR. BAXTER: I would like marked for
17 identification as Licensee's Exhibit Number 9 B&W Document
18 86-1103585-00, entitled System Response to Total Loss of SG
19 Heat Synch, dated August 7, 1979.

20 (The document referred to was
21 marked for identification as
22 Licensee Exhibit Number 9.)

23 MR. BAXTER: I would like marked for
24 identification as Licensee's Exhibit Number 10 a report
25 entitled Analysis Summary in Support of an Early RC Pump

1 Trip, dated August 21, 1979.

2 (The document referred to was
3 marked for identification as
4 Licensee Exhibit Number 10.)

5 MR. BAXTER: I would like marked for
6 identification as Licensee's Exhibit Number 11 a document
7 entitled Supplemental Small Break Analysis, Supplement to
8 the August 21, 1979, Analysis in Support of An Early RC Pump
9 Trip, and dated September 2, 1979.

10 (The document referred to was
11 marked for identification as
12 Licensee Exhibit Number 11.)

13 MR. BAXTER: I would like marked for
14 identification as Licensee's Exhibit Number 12 B&W Document
15 69-1106001-00, entitled Small Break Operating Guidelines and
16 dated November, 1979.

17 (The document referred to was
18 marked for identification as
19 Licensee Exhibit Number 12.)

20 MR. BAXTER: I would like marked for
21 identification as Licensee's Exhibit Number 13 B&W document
22 86-1117679-000, entitled Small Break With Failed PORV, dated
23 February 11, 1980.

24 (The document referred to was
25 marked for identification as

1 Licensee Exhibit Number 13.)

2 MR. BAXTER: We have provided the Board and the
3 parties with our September 15 filing, an outline which
4 summarizes briefly or identifies in more description what
5 these additional LOCA analysis exhibits include, but I would
6 like to rely on Mr. Jones briefly to amplify or explain for
7 the record right at this point where we have identified
8 them, what these documents are, without summarizing where
9 they are.

10 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Would it also be appropriate to
11 place the outline into the transcript at this point?

12 MR. BAXTER: Yes, that would be helpful, I
13 believe, and we can provide the reporter with a copy.

14 CHAIRMAN SMITH: If you will make the outline
15 available to the reporter, we will have that bound into the
16 transcript at this point.

17 (The material referred to follows:)

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OUTLINE
ADDITIONAL LOCA ANALYSIS EXHIBITS

The exhibits listed as Items 3 through 13 on Licensee's Certificate of Service, September 15, 1980, are submitted in response to the Board Question regarding UCS Contention 8, and provide a documentary history of the small break LOCA analyses performed by the Babcock & Wilcox Company which are applicable to TMI-1. The results of these analyses are presented in Licensee's Testimony of Robert C. Jones, Jr., and T. Gary Broughton in response to UCS Contention No. 8 and ECNP Contention No. 1(e) (Additional LOCA Analysis).

Report BAW-10103A, Rev. 3 (Item 3 on Licensee's Certificate of Service), and the July 18, 1978 supplemental analysis (Item 4) constitute a complete spectrum of small break analyses which show conformance to the requirements 10 CFR 50.46 and Appendix K to 10 CFR Part 50.

Section 6 of the May 7, 1979 report, "Evaluation of Transient Behavior and Small Reactor Coolant System Breaks in the 177 Fuel Assembly Plant" (Item 5), Supplements 1, 2 and 3 (Items 6, 7 and 8) thereto, and B&W Documents 86-1103585-00 (System Response to Total Loss of SG Heat Sink,) (Item 9) and 86-1117679-000 (Small Break with failed PORV) (Item 13) consist of additional analyses of plant response to various small break scenarios, which were performed in response to specific NRC requests following the TMI-2 accident. The results of these analyses demonstrate that, with appropriate operator action, the emergency core cooling system is capable of

controlling the consequences of these scenarios. B&W Document 69-1106001-00, "Small Break Operating Guidelines" (Item 12), provides guidance for operator action based upon the results of the small break analyses.

The evaluations contained in the B&W report, "Analysis Summary in Support of an Early RC Pump Trip," (Item 10) and its "Supplemental Small Break Analysis," (Item 11) were performed pursuant to NRC IF Bulletin 79-05C. These evaluations demonstrate that, under highly voided reaction coolant conditions, a delayed trip of the reactor coolant pumps will result in unacceptable consequences when Appendix K evaluation techniques are used. The analysis further shows that the prompt reactor coolant pump trip upon receipt of a low pressure ESFAS signal (as required by these results) will provide acceptable LOCA consequences.

1 MR. BAXTER: With the outline in the record, I
2 don't believe it would be necessary unless the Board feels
3 further amplification is necessary for Mr. Jones to explain
4 further what the documents are.

5 CHAIRMAN SMITH: While Dr. Jordan is reviewing the
6 outline for a moment, I want to observe that the testimony
7 scheduled for today was UCS Contention 8, which was also the
8 surviving form of ECNP Contention 1E, and there is no
9 representative from ECNP present today, nor any other
10 intervenor, as far as that is concerned.

11 CHAIRMAN SMITH: The outline is adequate for your
12 suggested purpose.

13 MR. BAXTER: The witnesses are available for cross
14 examination.

15 DR. JORDAN: I would like to suggest this morning
16 that instead of going immediately into the cross
17 examination, that it would save time, I believe, if the
18 witnesses would summarize their testimony and particularly
19 address the tables in the back of the first document, dated
20 9/15/80.

21 I realize this would be moderately time consuming,
22 but I think it would be more straightforward to do it now,
23 and I may have questions -- in fact, I do have questions on
24 understanding the tables, and I think it would help to clear
25 them up early rather than wait until the cross examination

1 starts. If anyone else has differences of opinion, I would
2 be glad to hear them.

3 MR. BAXTER: I would be happy to ask the witnesses
4 to do that. My only slight puzzlement is that we attempted
5 to make the tables summaries themselves. I am not quite
6 sure what your questions are on the tables.

7 DR. JORDAN: Well, I do need to understand just
8 what goes on in each case, what are the actions, both of the
9 equipment, the automatic actions, the response of the
10 systems, and the operator response with respect to each one
11 of the scenarios. Some of them may go very rapidly, and I
12 would hope that they can, but nevertheless, for my
13 understanding, I believe I need it.

14 MR. BAXTER: Fine. Let's try it with respect to
15 the September 15 filing first.

16 DR. JORDAN: That is what I meant.

17 MR. BAXTER: Not the October 21. That is a series
18 of little ones.

19 DR. JORDAN: Not the 21. The tables in the back
20 of there is a good summary, as you pointed out, of the
21 scenario, with response to each one of the transients, and I
22 think it would be helpful to hear that.

23 MS. WEISS: When you refer to October 21st, do you
24 mean the October 28th filing?

25 MR. BAXTER: Yes, I did. I am sorry.

1 BY MR. BAXTER: (Resuming)

2 Q Mr. Jones, do you understand the Board's inquiry,
3 and could you summarize the processes and phenomena that are
4 taking place in the plant for each of those scenarios,
5 including any operator actions that are going on?

6 DR. JORDAN: Mr. Jones, is that too big an order on
7 short notice? Would you like a little time?

8 WITNESS JONES: I will give it a try.

9 DR. JORDAN: I rather suspect that you are unable
10 to do it, because from my experience yesterday, you seem to
11 be on top of that.

12 WITNESS JONES: It is a fairly extensive set of
13 analyses here, so it is going to take some time.

14 DR. JORDAN: I realize it will. I realize it
15 will. But I think it is worthwhile.

16 WITNESS JONES: Let me --

17 DR. JORDAN: We may indeed spend the rest of the
18 morning on this, if necessary, because I won't understand it
19 completely on the first go-around, but I will ask questions
20 as you go.

21 MS. WEISS: Before you even start, since we've got
22 this funny noise going upstairs, I will have to ask you to
23 talk really loudly.

24 MR. BAXTER: Mr. Jones, you understand that the
25 Board is referring to the tables attached at the back of the

1 testimony.

2 WITNESS JONES: Yes, I do, and I guess we can
3 start with Table 1, which does not provide a summary of what
4 is happening or of the results for the pre-TMI 2 LOCA
5 analyses, and I guess I would like to start there.

6 The first case on the list from Topical Report
7 BAW-10103 is the core flood tank line break. The analysis
8 assumes that the line, the core flooding line attached to
9 the reactor vessel breaks one of them.

10 DR. JORDAN: Is that break ahead of the check
11 valve?

12 WITNESS JONES: It is between the check valve and
13 the vessel.

14 DR. JORDAN: Yes.

15 WITNESS JONES: And the single failure assumption
16 that is typically utilized, we assume that one of the low
17 pressure injection trains is lost from the loss of the
18 diesel, one of the high pressure injection trains is lost
19 because of the loss of the diesel, and the other available
20 low-pressure injection pump is assumed to be discharging
21 into the broken core flooding line, so that to mitigate this
22 transient, you have only one core flood tank and one high
23 pressure injection pump.

24 DR. JORDAN: I see.

25 Does the core flood tank line break? Does that

1 present unique problems that you don't get with all of the
2 other coolant pump discharge breaks?

3 WITNESS JONES: Well, it does in the sense that
4 you lose one of your core flooding tanks, and all of your
5 low pressure injection system for that case.

6 DR. JORDAN: I see.

7 WITNESS JONES: So you have a unique problem in
8 the availability of the core coolant system equipment. The
9 basic transient for the case is quite simple. It is a very
10 rapid depressurization, and I think to help explain these I
11 am going to have trouble doing it totally verbally, and I
12 would like to refer you with the exhibits to discuss what
13 happens during the transient. I believe that would be
14 easier.

15 MS. WEISS: Can we take two minutes to go get
16 ours? We didn't bring them. To get our exhibits, copies of
17 them?

18 (Pause.)

19 MS. WEISS: We are ready.

20 MR. BAXTER: Mr. Chairman, I also distributed to
21 the parties during the break a schematic diagram which is
22 entitled Simplified Schematic Diagram of Engineered
23 Safeguards System for Core and Building Protection, Three
24 Mile Island Nuclear Station Unit 1, which I would ask to
25 have identified as Licensee's Exhibit Number 14.

1 DR. JORDAN: I notice this is Figure 6.1. From
2 what document?

3 MR. BAXTER: The final safety analysis report for
4 Unit 1.

5 (The document referred to was
6 marked for identification as
7 Exhibit Number 14)

8 BY MR. BAXTER: (Resuming)

9 Q Mr. Jones, would you proceed, and perhaps explain
10 briefly what Licensee's Exhibit 14 represents?

11 A (WITNESS JONES) Yes, to try to help in the
12 explanation of the emergency core cooling systems, how they
13 are utilized in the analyses, Exhibit 14 will help provide a
14 base for understanding. I would like to briefly explain the
15 emergency core cooling systems which are provided at Unit 1
16 before I continue on with the rest of my explanation of what
17 happened during all of the analyses we have performed.

18 As noted on the figure, there are two core
19 flooding tanks inside the reactor building which discharge
20 directly into the reactor vessel. These tanks contain
21 roughly 1,000 cubic feet of water, and have a nitrogen
22 overpressure of 650 psi.

23 When the primary system drops below that pressure,
24 the check valves would swing open, and the water would
25 discharge into the vessel at a rate dependent upon the line

1 losses and the Delta P between the tank and the vessel.

2 Additionally, there are two sets of pumped
3 injection systems provided on the plan. These are the high
4 pressure injection pumps and the low pressure injection
5 pumps. The high pressure injection pumps are outlined in
6 yellow on the diagram, and are the basic system used to
7 mitigate small break LOCA's.

8 There are basically two trains that are normally
9 utilized as high pressure injection systems which can be
10 actuated either manually or automatically by the engineered
11 safety features actuation system. This diagram shows each
12 pump split into two lines, and is incorrect in that
13 representation. This was the representation of the TMI 1
14 system prior to the modifications being made at this time.

15 Upon restart, the TMI 1 HPI pump, each pump will
16 be capable of feeding all four injection lines. They will
17 be cross connected to each other, and each of these
18 injection lines discharge into one of the cold legs in the
19 primary system loops.

20 The low pressure injection pumps are called on the
21 diagram DH pumps, decay heat pumps. They are the normal --
22 they are used at low pressures to provide large flow rates
23 to the vessel, mainly for large break LOCA's.

24 The comparison between the two pumps as far as
25 their capacities, the high pressure injection pumps provide

1 roughly 500 gpi each at a system pressure of approximately
2 600 psig in the reactor vessel. The low pressure injection
3 pumps provide roughly 3,000 gpm at a system pressure of 100
4 psi. The high pressure injection pumps provide fluid over a
5 pressure range from roughly 2,700 psi down to essentially
6 atmospheric.

7 The low pressure injection pumps will provide flow
8 only after the primary system pressure has dropped below
9 approximately 200 psi. The line-up of the low pressure
10 injection pumps is to connect into the core flooding line as
11 shown on this figure between the two check valves in the
12 line. It does not inject into the cold leg, but rather
13 injects into the core flooding line, which then connects
14 into the reactor vessel for direct injection into the
15 reactor vessel.

16 Initially, in the transient, the pumps will draw
17 their suction off of the borated water storage tank, which
18 contains roughly 300,000 gallons. Following -- the word
19 isn't depletion, but when the tank reaches a low level, has
20 discharged a substantial amount of its inventory, operator
21 action is utilized to line up the low pressure injection
22 pumps to the reactor building sump, and as outlined in this
23 diagram, the blue line coming around connecting up into the
24 suction of the high pressure injection pumps is the line-up
25 which is called the piggy-back operation, where the low

1 pressure injection pumps provide suction to the high
2 pressure injection pumps.

3 That is basically how the system lines up and
4 works.

5 MS. WEISS: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Pollard had a
6 question about one thing that was just said in description
7 of the diagram. Would it be appropriate to ask that now?

8 DR. JORDAN: Yes, I think anything that will clear
9 up the explanation will be helpful at this time.

10 MR. POLLARD: To hopefully reduce the number of
11 times I will have to interrupt on the explanation of the
12 tables, perhaps I could just ask you a general question
13 first.

14 DR. JORDAN: Exactly the reason for doing it.

15 VOIR DIRE EXAMINATION

16 BY MR. POLLARD:

17 Q Mr. Jones, in your explanation today of Exhibit 14
18 and your subsequent explanations, you will be talking in
19 general and when you give a very specific number such as the
20 cutoff header for the pump or the minimum pressure needed
21 for the pump to operate, are we to understand that this is a
22 general figure, or are you talking that you know
23 specifically the values for the actual pumps at Three Mile
24 Island Unit 1?

25 A (WITNESS JONES) The values I quoted for the high

1 pressure injection pumps are typical of the TMI 1 pumps.

2 Q Do you know that the high pressure injection pumps
3 can run at full flow when the pressure in the reactor
4 coolan. system is near atmospheric without either cavitating
5 or running out?

6 MR. BAXTER: Excuse me, Mr. Chairman. It is not
7 clear to me that this is by way of furthering the
8 explanation as opposed to cross examination.

9 MR. POLLARD: All I am trying to do, Mr. Jordan,
10 is to know later on in this hearing whether or not I have to
11 rely upon the numbers that Mr. Jones is now giving with
12 respect to the characteristics of the specific equipment in
13 Three Mile Island Unit 1, or if these are just general
14 figures for perhaps any B&W plant. I won't need to
15 interrupt any further.

16 DR. JORDAN: Go ahead and answer. Are they meant
17 to be specific to TMI 1 or not? I think maybe that will
18 clear it up.

19 WITNESS JONES: Well, the numbers I am quoting are
20 basically our general design requirements for these
21 systems. I cannot attest to their absolute accuracy, which
22 is why I kept saying generally or about, because I am not
23 sure. I do know that the high pressure injection pumps for
24 TMI 1 can pump two high system pressures, roughly 2,700
25 psi. It may be 29. I am not sure. But I know it can pump

1 up to about that value.

2 I also know from the calculations that I have seen
3 that an individual high pressure injection pump is capable
4 of providing at least 500 gpm at 600 psi, and with the
5 installation of the cavitating venturies, from what I have
6 seen, the characteristics or the design that they are trying
7 to set up is such that the cavitating venturies will be
8 sized such that the pumps will not cavitate at low system
9 pressures. They will not run out and destroy themselves.

10 DR. JORDAN: I think perhaps that answers your
11 question, but I think that that type of question, for
12 guidance to you, Mr. Pollard, was a little too specific. It
13 would be just as well to reserve those until cross
14 examination.

15 MR. POLLARD: Yes, sir. I understand. This
16 was just an example of the question, and I will not
17 interrupt further.

18 DR. JORDAN: Fine. Now, whenever there is a
19 matter of not understanding what he is saying, please
20 interrupt.

21 WITNESS JONES: All right. Now, I believe we were
22 last at a description of the phenomena that occurs during a
23 core flooding tank line break. As I think now that we have
24 introduced this exhibit, you can see where the single
25 failure assumption can lead to for this specific case, only

1 one high pressure injection pump being available, and one
2 core flooding tank being available for mitigating the
3 transient.

4 Now, basically, the system response for this case
5 is a very rapid depressurization, and if you look at
6 Appendix C of Exhibit 3, which is the small break analyses
7 that were performed in the top of the report, and
8 specifically Figure C-4, you will see the system --

9 CHAIRMAN SMITH: I see that people have not caught
10 up with you yet.

11 (Pause.)

12 DR. JORDAN: We have it now.

13 WITNESS JONES: All right. You will see that the
14 system undergoes a very rapid depressurization transient
15 which results in the emergency safety features actuation
16 signal being reached within the first roughly ten seconds.
17 That signal is set at about 1600 psi. And it is very
18 quickly reached in this accident, and will start the diesel
19 open valves, start the high pressure injection pumps,
20 actuating the emergency core cooling systems.

21 At approximately 150 seconds, you can see that the
22 core flood tanks are actuated or the core flood than in this
23 case, and this system continues to depressurize and
24 stabilizes in a long-term mode at approximately 100 psi.

25 Now, for this transient and basically for all of

1 the transients I will be discussing until I get to Table 8
2 -- no, excuse me, Table 7 -- the assumptions used in the
3 analysis was a loss of off-site power at the time of reactor
4 trip. And for this case, I did not mention this, the
5 reactor trip occurs subsequent to the emergency safety
6 features actuation signal. I mean, prior to. It is at
7 about 1900 psi. That will trip the reactor.

8 That loss of off-site power results in the loss of
9 the pumping of the reactor coolant pumps, and they coast
10 down, and an indication of the system flow for this
11 transient is provided in Figure C-3, the page just prior to
12 the one we were just looking at. And as can be seen, the
13 system flow rate rapidly decays for this transient.

14 There is no operator actions required for this
15 analysis. The system has a very rapid depressurization,
16 actuates all the equipment necessary, and there is no early
17 operator actions required for this transient. In the long
18 term, when the BWST is emptied, he does have to make a
19 manual switchover to the sump and line up the HPI system in
20 a piggyback mode.

21 Additionally, it is possible or it may be possible
22 for the operator to open up the cross connects between the
23 decay heat pumps such that these are indicated in Exhibit 14
24 as the valves between -- I believe the valves -- these would
25 be the valves between the decay heat coolers, but basically

1 he would open up a cross connect such that one pump could
2 feed both lines and he could throttle the LPI flow to
3 balance flows, thus providing additional emergency core
4 cooling system flow to the system.

5 That action is not, however, necessary to assure
6 adequate core cooling. That is an action he can take in the
7 long term, and if he takes that action and balances the
8 flows in each line to where he gets roughly 1,000 GPM in
9 each leg, he can terminate the high pressure injection flow
10 per the throttling criteria that he has.

11 As far as the consequences of this accident,
12 figure C-7 shows the inner vessel fluid inventory for this
13 accident. The inner vessel, as utilized in this evaluation,
14 is the core in the upper plenum, and as you can see, the
15 liquid level in the core does drop until approximately the
16 time the core flooding tanks come on, until the one core
17 tank comes on which slowly recovers the core from the liquid
18 inventory standpoint, but it shown up around the 18 to 20
19 foot height on this graph. There is another graph labeled
20 inner vessel mixture height. This is a two-phase mixture
21 which would be within the inner vessel, and as seen from
22 this case, the core which is at 12 feet -- it is labeled Top
23 of Active Core. The core remains totally covered throughout
24 the transient.

25 DR. JORDAN: With the two-phase mixture?

1 WITNESS JONES: With the two-phase mixture, and
2 that will provide adequate core cooling, and the temperature
3 response for the cladding for this case, which is not shown
4 in this diagram, will just decay with time, and basically
5 stay after the initial discharge of the energy in the fuel
6 rods which occurs during flow coast down of the pumps that
7 will stay within a few degrees, five, maybe ten degrees of
8 the saturated fluid temperature within the core.

9 The second case that is covered in this topical I
10 don't feel needs a lot of discussion.

11 DR. JORDAN: No, just if there are any differences
12 now.

13 WITNESS JONES: The half a square foot break and
14 the pump discharge break pipe is basically the same typical
15 response, the rapid depressurization, the difference being
16 you would then have two core flooding tanks available along
17 with one LPI pump, and with the location of this break, a
18 portion of the high pressure injection fluid would be lost,
19 and I will discuss that in more detail when we talk about
20 the next set of analyses.

21 The .04 square foot in the reactor coolant pump
22 suction is a little more interesting. But rather than
23 belabor that analysis, because it really is very similar to
24 one which is shown in the next report, I would just rather
25 move on to the next figure.

1 The only significant actor in that break, however,
2 it is a break in the suction pipe, and is less severe than
3 the breaks in the discharge pipe, which will be described in
4 the next exhibit.

5 I would like to discuss this exhibit, which is
6 Exhibit Number 4, and still on Table 1, which is the
7 analysis of the spectrum of cold leg breaks in the pump
8 discharge pipe, and I would like to discuss these in a very
9 generic or whole fashion for convenience, and use some of
10 the figures in Exhibit Number 4.

11 In this analysis, to describe the operator
12 actions, and what equipment was utilized, in the analyses
13 presented, in both of these reports, the one I just
14 discussed and this one, we have assumed emergency feedwater
15 system. As will be shown later on from other analyses we
16 have performed, the emergency feedwater system is not a
17 significant actor on the transient for these sized breaks.

18 These are breaks all greater than the .02 square
19 foot size, which as they testified earlier do not need the
20 steam generator for heat removal.

21 Now, in this analysis again we have assumed the
22 loss of offsite power reactor trip, but we have assumed an
23 operator action in the analysis being presented in this next
24 exhibit. The analyses -- well, it was found back in this
25 time frame and this analysis, which is 1978, that it was

1 possible that we had not looked at the worst break location,
2 and subsequent investigation after that concern was raised
3 determined indeed that we had not done a sufficient job in
4 examining all break locations in light of the fact that
5 there were substantial model changes made over the life of
6 the plant.

7 We then undertook an analysis to demonstrate that
8 this break location would be handled and we identified that
9 it would require an additional operator action. Under a
10 single failure assumption where only one high pressure
11 injection pump was operating, you would have one high
12 pressure injection pump discharging into two injection lakes
13 in 1978. This was the pre-modified HPI system.

14 If you postulated the break between that injection
15 point and the reactor vessel located specifically at the
16 bottom of the pipe, the high pressure injection water that
17 entered the broken runup pipe would just spill on the floor,
18 so basically you were left with only 50 percent of one high
19 pressure injection pump to handle the event.

20 That was found not to be sufficient. But if the
21 operator performed a manual action within ten minutes to
22 open the cross connects at the discharge of the pump as
23 shown on Exhibit 14, he opened those valves, the two that
24 are closed there, he would then be able to get about 70
25 percent of one high pressure injection pump fluid into the

1 system through the three lines not connected to the broken
2 cold leg. So, he would increase essentially the fluid
3 injection that would reach the reactor vessel for core
4 cooling.

5 With that assumption in the analyses, we then
6 performed a series of break size evaluations which are shown
7 in Exhibit Number 4. As shown in Figure 3, which is the
8 pressure versus time history for these cases --

9 CHAIRMAN SMITH: That is Figure 3 of Exhibit 4?

10 WITNESS JONES: Yes.

11 DR. JORDAN: Does that still represent the
12 situation at TMI 1? Have there been any changes in
13 additional flow restrictions that have changed it so this is
14 really past history we are talking about?

15 WITNESS BROUGHTON: Yes, sir. There have been
16 modifications made to the high pressure injection lines
17 which provide cross-connects and flow limiting devices such
18 that no operator action is required to provide the flow
19 assumed in the analyses that Mr. Jones will discuss.

20 DR. JORDAN: Very well. Then I think we can
21 probably skip over it fairly fast.

22 WITNESS JONES: Well, I want to discuss this from
23 the standpoint of this evaluation and the evaluation that I
24 just discussed on the 50.46 compliance evaluations for TMI 1.

25 DR. JORDAN: I see. Okay.

1 WITNESS JONES: All that the change in the system
2 has done in the HPI system has basically been to make these
3 analyses conservative relative to TMI 1, because they will
4 provide in fact more flow than assumed in the evaluation,
5 because they would not have lost 50 percent of the fluid for
6 the first ten minutes.

7 DR. JORDAN: Very well.

8 WITNESS JONES: But just to quickly go over the
9 spectrum, as you see, there is a generally smooth transition
10 in the pressure as a function of time.

11 DR. JORDAN: Very well.

12 WITNESS JONES: But just to quickly go over the
13 spectrum, as you see, there is a generally smooth transition
14 in the pressure as a function of time for this range of
15 break size. The largest break size, of course,
16 depressurizes the fastest, and the smallest the latest, and
17 it is a relatively smooth transition throughout these cases.

18 In performing this evaluation, one of the keys
19 that we used in performing this is the break size. The
20 smallest break size that we looked at is a break size which
21 is totally mitigated by the high pressure injection system.
22 That is, the core flood tank plays no role in mitigation of
23 the transient, and as shown on Figure 3, the .04 square foot
24 break does not depressurize in the time period of the
25 evaluation to the core flood tanks.

1 As far as the consequences of this system pressure
2 trace and the HPI flow, figure 4 shows the mixture height
3 for these cases. It gets a little jumbled in the two to 400
4 time frame because there are several cases there. But the
5 significant point here is that there are only three cases
6 which had any core uncoverly. These were the .055 square
7 foot break, the .07 square foot break, and the .085 square
8 foot break.

9 And, of course, any breaks in between there and
10 slightly to either sides of the break size would result in
11 this evaluation to some small core uncoverly, but you can see
12 that it is a fairly smooth envelope around this point, as
13 far as the minimum mixture level, and you can see it
14 continually decreases and slowly is building back up, and
15 the trend would be expected to be valid on both sides.

16 DR. JORDAN: When you speak of the mixture height,
17 this is, as I understand it, a two-phase mixture with a
18 significant amount of water. Is that true? And what is
19 meant by significant? If it is true, what do you mean by
20 significant?

21 WITNESS JONES: It is a two-phase mixture, and I
22 believe it's water content is on the order of 70 percent for
23 these cases.

24 DR. JORDAN: Oh, yes, that is quite high. Thank
25 you.

1 WITNESS JONES: And as stated, this evaluation
2 uncovered basically what the worst case would be, the 07
3 square foot break. It has roughly one foot core uncover
4 for approximately a 400 second time frame, and figure 5,
5 which is very difficult to see, is the peak clad temperature
6 evaluations for these cases, and the 07 square foot case
7 resulted in a peak clad temperature of less than 1,100
8 degrees, which is substantially below the criteria of 5046.

9 DR. JORDAN: These are, of course, Fahrenheit
10 degrees we are speaking of entirely.

11 WITNESS JONES: Yes.

12 (Pause.)

13 WITNESS JONES: The analysis in support of Table
14 2, I believe that covers Table 1, unless there are any
15 further questions.

16 DR. JORDAN: No, that is fine. Thank you.

17 WITNESS JONES: The evaluation in support of Table
18 2 is provided in Exhibit 9. The analysis that was performed
19 assumed basically a transient in which all feedwater was
20 lost. As listed in the sequence of events, basically, the
21 transient we analyzed was loss of main feedwater. We
22 assumed for conservatism that the anticipatory reactor trip
23 on loss of the feed pumps did not work, and that the reactor
24 would trip on the high pressure signal.

25 We assumed we had a loss of off-site power in the

1 evaluation.

2 MS. WEISS: Excuse me. Could you repeat the first
3 sentence again? We were shuffling our papers and did not
4 hear. Maybe the reporter can read it back.

5 MR. BAXTER: The last sentence?

6 MS. WEISS: The first sentence.

7 MR. POLLARD: Mr. Chairman, if every time he
8 changes to a new exhibit or new table, if he could just
9 pause for a few seconds, it would be very helpful.

10 WITNESS JONES: I am sorry.

11 DR. JORDAN: Do you remember what you said?

12 WITNESS JONES: I can start it over, I think.

13 MS. WEISS: We got the loss of feedwater, and then
14 we sort of drifted off after that.

15 WITNESS JONES: Basically, the analysis which was
16 performed assumed, as the initiating event, first a loss of
17 main feedwater. It was also assumed in the evaluation that
18 the anticipatory reactor trip on loss of all main feedwater
19 did not occur, and this resulted in a reactor trip on the
20 high pressure set point. That is a very conservative
21 assumption, and tends to minimize the fluid available in the
22 steam generator for subsequent boiling as a heat synch.

23 It then went on with a typical assumption of the
24 loss of offsite power, a very atypical assumption, which was
25 that emergency feedwater was lost to the steam generators.

1 That is, it did not work. None of these systems. And
2 basically the evaluation which was discussed, I believe, in
3 some detail over the last few days is essentially a
4 confirmation or demonstration of the feed and bleed mode of
5 core cooling.

6 Now, to describe the system response, if you turn
7 to Figure 2 of Exhibit Number 9 -- does everybody have that
8 now? I think I will ask first before I go on. It will be
9 easier that way.

10 You can see it is a fairly expanded scale. There
11 is an error on the last two points on the graph for the
12 time. That should be 10,000 and 12,000 seconds. But
13 basically the response of the system is to initially
14 repressurize the 2,300 psi, which you can barely see, to
15 decrease to roughly 2,050 psi, and with they dryout of the
16 steam generator, to repressurize to roughly 2,500 psi.

17 DR. JORDAN: That is the safety valve setting?

18 WITNESS JONES: That is correct. We did not use
19 the PORV in this analysis, and used only the safety valves
20 to relieve system pressure.

21 MS. WEISS: Is that one or two safety valves?

22 WITNESS JONES: The analysis used two safety
23 valves, but it turns out that it actually only used the
24 capacity of two safety valves for only a very short period
25 of the transient, which I can probably point out on one of

1 the subsequent figures to give you a handle on what happened.

2 Figure 3 presents the pressurizer mixture level in
3 this accident. As would be expected, the pressurizer fills
4 up as a result of the repressurization of the system due to
5 the expansion of the primary system fluid as it heats up,
6 because of the lack of heat synch.

7 DR. JORDAN: Forty feet, is that the top of the
8 pressurizer, or is that the top of the gauge?

9 WITNESS JONES: Well, the models that are utilized,
10 I am not sure whether it is the top of the gauge or what,
11 but as far as the model, that is the top of the volume
12 utilized. We would knock up the total volume, but the
13 normal cross sectional area and the cylindrical section, and
14 get a somewhat artificial height on the two ends, but it
15 would track the proper volume, which is the significant
16 point.

17 DR. JORDAN: I see. So, this filling up, then is
18 the result of the high pressure injection?

19 WITNESS JONES: No, the filling up in this portion
20 of the accident is simply the result of the heat being added
21 to the fluid by the core decay heat, the expansion of the
22 fluid as it heats up, and pushing liquid into the
23 pressurizer while the system repressurizes.

24 DR. JORDAN: Does this mean the steam valves then
25 would be -- I mean, the safety valves would be seeing liquid

1 water at that time?

2 WITNESS JONES: Once the thing becomes totally
3 solid, yes, it would be seeing liquid water, and then later
4 in the transient, it is a little difficult to see, but the
5 pressurizer level does decrease somewhat, and basically what
6 happens at this point in time is, you are having phase
7 separation in the pressurizer where you are discharging
8 steam into the pressurizer through the surge line and it is
9 bubbling up through the water that is in the pressurizer and
10 is being bled out of the valves as steam.

11 To try to describe the discharge of the fluid
12 going through the pressurizer safety valves, I would like
13 you to just take a quick look at Figure 4. And as noted in
14 Figure 4, there are basically three distinct regimes of flow
15 through that valve. Between roughly 400 seconds and 1800
16 seconds, the flow through the valve is liquid. No steam is
17 in the liquid, and the rate is being determined basically by
18 the expansion of the fluid.

19 I would like to note that also at 20 minutes in
20 this evaluation, we have assumed that the operator had
21 initiated one high pressure injection pump. He is directed
22 to actuate all, but we assumed a single failure also beyond
23 that assumed for all the feedwater to be lost where he had
24 had only one high pressure injection pump, and that was
25 manually initiated in 20 minutes.

1 DR. JORDAN: I missed the point. Didn't the
2 safety features actuation signal come on early and start the
3 injection pumps?

4 WITNESS JONES: No. As discussed on the system
5 pressure figure, and I would have brought it up there, the
6 system pressure only reached a minimum of about 2,050 psi,
7 which is well above the actuation set point of the high
8 pressure injection system. And basically the failure to
9 depressurize to the set point that actuates the system is a
10 result of the total loss of the heat synch.

11 You will not for all breaks, and this case has no
12 break in the system, you do not depressurize the system low
13 enough.

14 DR. JORDAN: Okay. I have missed a point then.
15 The safety features actuation signal on pressure is only on
16 low pressure, not high pressure?

17 WITNESS JONES: That is right. The high pressure
18 was a reactor trip signal.

19 DR. JORDAN: Okay. So therefore, during this
20 first 20 minutes, there has been no high pressure injection
21 of water. There has been some synch presumably by virtue of
22 the fact that there has been water left in the heat
23 exchangers. Is that correct?

24 WITNESS JONES: Yes, for roughly the first three
25 minutes of the transient.

1 DR. JORDAN: So after the first three minutes,
2 then, we are left with no synch, just the heating up of the
3 water. And that continues then for the first 20 minutes.
4 Is that correct?

5 WITNESS JONES: Yes, and in fact, the heating of
6 the water continues longer than that.

7 DR. JORDAN: Yes, but at the end of 20 minutes,
8 then the operator does actuate the high pressure injection
9 system. Is that correct?

10 WITNESS JONES: Yes, that is what we have assumed
11 in the evaluation, and we have assumed that only one
12 functioned when in fact we would expect both.

13 DR. JORDAN: I see.

14 WITNESS JONES: Now, at the time we get to 1800
15 seconds, at this point in time we have basically finished
16 the liquid discharge phase, pure liquid, and what is
17 happening to the system at about this time is, the system is
18 reaching -- well, the system is starting to undergo vigorous
19 boiling. And that the valve that the fluid being discharged
20 through the valve is being controlled by the volume of steam
21 being created. It is trying to make room for itself, and is
22 pushing water, steam, and pushing out of its way to find a
23 pat volume to sit in.

24 I said I did want to talk a little bit about the
25 valve, just try to hit the point on how many safety valves

1 are being utilized. Between zero and 1800 seconds, we are
2 using roughly 40 percent of the capacity of one valve in the
3 evaluation. That is what is being used. Not that is what
4 is modeled. We have the valve modeled but we are only using
5 roughly 40 percent of its capacity.

6 Now, during this period of time where we are
7 vigorously boiling and shoving fluid out because of the
8 boiling process between 1800 seconds and roughly 2200
9 seconds --

10 DR. JORDAN: Two thousand?

11 WITNESS JONES: Well, 2,200, a little past that
12 time. Where we are pushing out a fairly substantial amount
13 of water and steam mixture. During that period of time, we
14 are using near the capacity of both safety valves. They
15 would both be utilized or have been utilized almost to full
16 capacity. After 2,200 seconds, after we have discharged
17 this much inventory in the primary system, we have lost
18 inventory up to the surge line into the pressurizer. That
19 is, the steam that had been created has discharged enough
20 fluid so that there is a steam interface at the surge line,
21 and at this point in time you basically have steam flow,
22 only steam flow into the pressurizer, and your only loss of
23 inventory is due to a boiling process, and you are trying to
24 catch up to that boiling process with a high pressure
25 injection system which you had actuated earlier.

1 And from 2,200 seconds to roughly 9,000 seconds, I
2 believe it is -- yes, roughly 9,000 seconds, you have a
3 mismatch between the boiloff of the core and the flow being
4 injected by the high pressure injection system. And you
5 continually lose inventory. After about 9,000 seconds, you
6 would have a slow system refill.

7 Now, through this entire period of time, from
8 2,200 seconds to the 10,000 seconds analyzed, we are
9 discharging steam through the valve, and we are again only
10 using roughly 40 percent of one safety valve for the
11 necessary capacity.

12 Now, a part of the system volume as a function of
13 time for this transient is shown in Figure 5. I don't want
14 to belabor that point, but the big actor there or the point
15 to be made from that is simply that the core remains covered
16 throughout the transient, and there is roughly an additional
17 1,000 cubic feet of water above the top of the core
18 available for cooling.

19 DR. JORDAN: I see. And so you have reached a
20 state of equilibrium.

21 WITNESS JONES: Yes, and we are slowing
22 refilling. Not very fast. That is based again on only one
23 pump. Not to mislead you, the analysis did assume a
24 realistic core decay heat. We felt that the number of
25 failures assumed in the evaluation were more than enough to

1 require us to use the normally conservative 1.2 ANS.

2 DR. JORDAN: I understand.

3 That is listed as one of the assumptions.

4 WITNESS JONES: Yes, I just wanted to point it out
5 because it is that.

6 DR. JORDAN: Thank you. I might have missed it.

7 WITNESS JONES: And I do want to make -- That is a
8 reasonable value based on the knowledge today of the decay
9 heat.

10 DR. JORDAN: We appreciate this very much, and we
11 think you are deserving of a break for about ten minutes,
12 and so we will come back, but you are doing just great.

13 WITNESS JONES: Thank you.

14 (Whereupon, the hearing was briefly recessed.)

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1 BY MR. BAXTER: (Resuming)

2 Q Would you continue, Mr. Jones.

3 A I guess at this time we are on Table No. 3. And
4 to get some of the system response, I will be using Exhibit
5 5. And in fact, Exhibit 5 will be used for several of the
6 next few tables, I believe.

7 Q Excuse me, Mr. Jones. We're getting Exhibit 5.

8 When you referred earlier to moving to Table No.
9 3, you were referring to your written testimony of September
10 15th

11 A That is correct.

12 Table 3 is a summary of the analyses performed of
13 a small break LOCA, with an assumed loss of all the steam
14 generator water. The basic sequence of event and
15 assumptions are listed on the table. And it's basically, we
16 have assumed a small break LOCA, and we have looked at
17 several sizes, specifically a .07 square foot break, which
18 was the design basis break identified from the 10 CFR 50.46
19 analysis, a .02 square foot break, and a .01 square foot
20 break.

21 The analyses, all the analyses, result in a
22 depressurization transient initially, which actuates the
23 reactor trip on low reactor coolant system pressure. As
24 before, we have assumed that we lose off-site power at that
25 time with the reactor trip, and we have assumed that the

1 emergency feedwater pumps do not operate.

2 In performing the analyses, we have assumed that
3 both high pressure injection trains function, and we have
4 used the core decay heat of 1.2 times the ANS standard.
5 Now, for specific information on the analyses, there are two
6 figures I would like to first bring out, which are Figure
7 6.2.2 -- and I guess we can discuss this one first and then
8 move on to the next figure.

9 This is the core pressure versus time for .07
10 square foot break. It is very similar to the system
11 pressure trace for the 50.46 analysis. And what that
12 indicates simply is that the steam generator does not play a
13 significant role at all for the design basis small break
14 LOCA's. As seen from the system pressure trace, there is a
15 fairly rapid depressurization, which results in automatic
16 actuation of the high pressure injection pumps. The system
17 then decreases to approximately 1,000 psi and more or less
18 stabilizes there, while the system inventory depletes, until
19 you get to high-quality steam flow out the break, which
20 results in a continued system depressurization and
21 ultimately the actuation of the core flood tanks.

22 DR. JORDAN: What caused the change in slope at
23 500 seconds?

24 WITNESS JONES: Basically, the quality of the
25 fluid going out of the break. There are figures in this

1 whole section which will illustrate that.

2 I would now like to go -- I don't want to go
3 through all the figures for this case. The basic conclusion
4 of this analysis was that the core remained covered
5 throughout the transient without feedwater and without any
6 operator action during the short-term.

7 The next figure I would like to turn to is Figure
8 6.2.20.

9 DR. JORDAN: Okay.

10 WITNESS JONES: And this figure is the system
11 pressure versus time for a .02 square foot break, and it is
12 this analysis that forms the basis for the conclusions in
13 our testimony in response to UCS 1 and 2 that breaks larger
14 than .02 square foot do not need the steam generator. As
15 noted by the system depressurization, the system again
16 depressurizes down to the emergency core cooling system
17 actuation signal of approximately 1600 psi, though the
18 actual analysis value was somewhat less.

19 At the actuation of the high pressure injection
20 pumps, the energy that could be absorbed by the high
21 pressure injection fluid plus the energy discharge through
22 the break results in a fairly stable system pressure
23 transient. And by the end of this analysis, we had matched
24 the core decay heat.

25 DR. JORDAN: I am having a little trouble with the

1 ordinate. I multiply by 10⁻² the numbers there; is that
2 it?

3 WITNESS JONES: No, you multiply by 10².
4 Multiply by 100.

5 DR. JORDAN: Oh, that's a decimal point, 25.000.

6 WITNESS JONES: No.

7 DR. JORDAN: Oh, that's 25,000, 25.000.

8 All right. Now, the system pressure begins around
9 2200 psi, normal operating pressure, and falls, you say
10 there, to 1400 psi about --

11 WITNESS JONES: Yes, about this pressure, and then
12 it stabilizes.

13 DR. JORDAN: And at that time the high pressure
14 injection system came on automatically, is that right?

15 WITNESS JONES: That is correct, the high pressure
16 injection system for this case is automatically actuated.

17 DR. LITTLE: This is the computer-generated
18 figure, isn't it? And you don't actually have five
19 significant figures there, I don't think.

20 WITNESS JONES: It is a computer-generated figure,
21 and we have a lot of significant figures in our computer
22 model.

23 DR. LITTLE: Are they real?

24 WITNESS JONES: Some yes, some no. It depends on
25 the state searches, for example. The significant figures

1 can become important to carry them out very accurately.

2 DR. JORDAN: But are you again saying, then, that
3 this reaches a state of equilibrium fairly rapidly?

4 WITNESS JONES: Yes, it does. And that the basic
5 equilibrium or the energy process for the energy removal
6 added to the primary system fluid by the core decay heat is
7 via absorption on the cold high pressure injection water,
8 energy absorbed by that, and the energy discharged through
9 the break, which leads to a more or less stable system
10 pressure trace.

11 And it is difficult to see on the figure, but
12 generally you see a slowly depressurizing system as a
13 result, as the decay heat decreases.

14 DR. JORDAN: Now, if the break is smaller than the
15 .01, then do we go back to the case of essentially no break,
16 zero break size, which you discussed previously?

17 WITNESS JONES: The next figure -- the next set I
18 want to discuss is the next size.

19 DR. JORDAN: Okay. Thank you.

20 (Pause.)

21 DR. JORDAN: Take your time. Don't hurry.

22 CHAIRMAN SMITH: If you can tell us what you are
23 looking for, maybe we can go to it at the same time you are.

24 WITNESS JONES: I've got it, I think. Yes, I've
25 got it.

1 I would like now to refer to Figure 6.2.60.

2 DR. JORDAN: Does everyone have it? Okay.

3 WITNESS JONES: The analysis presented here is an
4 analysis of the .01 square foot break, and this is the
5 system pressure as a function of time. Now, as shown, the
6 initial response of the system is to depressurize.

7 DR. JORDAN: I thought the previous figure we were
8 looking at was the system pressure.

9 WITNESS JONES: That was a .02. This is a .01
10 square foot break.

11 DR. JORDAN: I see, okay.

12 WITNESS JONES: This is on the other side now.

13 DR. JORDAN: Good. I missed the point.

14 WITNESS JONES: And this is in fact where Mr.
15 Johnson and I got two different numbers for where you need
16 generator. It is interpretive as to which side it is on.
17 It is between the two cases.

18 DR. JORDAN: Yes, I understand.

19 WITNESS JONES: Now, as you can see, the system
20 initially depressurizes because of the loss of fluid
21 inventory and results in reactor trip on low pressure. The
22 system continues to depressurize until approximately 200
23 seconds, at which time we have boiled off the inventory that
24 was stored on the secondary side of the steam generator.
25 And because of the assumptions used in the analysis, which

1 was an ESFAS or emergency safety features actuation signal
2 of 1350 psi, you can see that we do not result in automatic
3 actuation.

4 In fact, we would expect for this case to get
5 automatic actuation under normal circumstances. But we
6 assumed, because it was a generic evaluation for all of our
7 plants and some of them have lower set point, we assumed the
8 lower set point minus its instrument error in the
9 environment.

10 With the loss of heat sink, the system
11 repressurizes slowly and by 20 minutes is up to
12 approximately 2400 psi. We at this time assumed that the
13 operator manually initiated the high pressure injection
14 systems and took no further actions, just actuated those.

15 And as you can see from the figure, the system
16 pressure flattens out due to the colder water being
17 injected, which decreases core boiling rate and slowly
18 depressurizes with time. And for this case again, no core
19 uncovering was found. This is kind of the largest break that
20 you would expect to ever get into a feed and bleed mode of
21 cooling.

22 As you can see, it comes very close to the safety
23 valve set points, and would bound basically the effects of
24 any other sized break, because of the largest break area
25 resulting in the largest loss of liquid inventory with time.

1 BY MR. POLLARD:

2 Q May I ask just one question. When you assume the
3 operation of the high pressure injection pumps, you are
4 assuming full flow at that pressure

5 A (WITNESS JONES) Yes.

6 DR. JORDAN: Now, wait just a minute. High
7 pressure injection came on at what time in this figure?

8 WITNESS JONES: 20 minutes, 1200 seconds, maybe
9 1250. I'm not sure of the exact time.

10 DR. JORDAN: And that's where the curve peaks, is
11 that it?

12 WITNESS JONES: That's right.

13 DR. JORDAN: Now, the high pressure injection
14 system comes on at that time, and why does that stop the
15 pressure rise?

16 WITNESS JONES: The pressure rise is occurring
17 from the creation of steam via boiling and then, you know,
18 its mismatch relative to the volume of fluid being
19 discharged out the break. And up until this point in time
20 you are generating a larger volume of steam than you are
21 displacing a volume of liquid out the hole, and the system
22 is repressurizing. Because that volume of steam, the mass
23 of steam you are creating needs more volume, and the way it
24 is doing it, really, is actually compressing itself so it
25 needs less, which means the system pressure must rise. Now

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2 DR. JORDAN: But it doesn't rise to the point
3 where it hits the safety valve?

4 WITNESS JONES: It di' not quite make it. You
5 will remember, we had a leak in the system which is slowing
6 things down, the repressurization. As breaks get smaller
7 from this, you would reach the safety valve.

8 DR. JORDAN: If you hadn't put on the high
9 pressure injection system.

10 WITNESS JONES: If you hadn't, you would hit it,
11 yes. And if you were at a smaller break and waited 20
12 minutes to put on the high pressure injection system, you
13 will also probably hit the safety valves, because the
14 inventory loss through the break would have been decreased
15 as the break size gets smaller.

16 DR. JORDAN: I am obviously missing something
17 completely. Adding the high pressure -- water from the high
18 pressure injection pumps can't be doing very much from the
19 standpoint of cooling. There is already a large inventory
20 of water, and the heat is being dissipated by generation of
21 steam going from liquid to vapor. And I don't see what
22 makes it turn around at 1200 seconds.

23 WITNESS JONES: The high pressure injection does
24 provide a substantial amount of cooling. It is 90-degree
25 water which you will have to raise to, for these type of

1 pressures, 650 degrees.

2 DR. JORDAN: Okay, so that's what is doing it.

3 WITNESS JONES: And that takes some of the core
4 decay heat away, which then decreases the amount of steam
5 production occurring at this time. And that decreased steam
6 production in combination with what you are losing out the
7 break causes this curve to flatten out.

8 DR. JORDAN: I see. So that the change in slope,
9 then, is really due to the cooling from the high pressure
10 injection system?

11 WITNESS JONES: That is correct.

12 There is one other conclusion that we reach on
13 Table 3, which is the effect of, instead of the operator
14 actuating two high pressure injection systems at 20 minutes,
15 what happens if he actuates the auxiliary feedwater system
16 instead. And that analysis is provided in Licensee's
17 Exhibit No. 8.

18 DR. JORDAN: Do I dare put this one away?

19 WITNESS JONES: No.

20 DR. JORDAN: We're having a little trouble finding
21 two copies. But let's go ahead.

22 BY MR. BAXTER: (Resuming)

23 Q All right. Mr. Jones, one point of terminology.
24 We have been referring to the TMI-1 system as an emergency
25 feedwater system. Are you using auxiliary feedwater and

1 emergency feedwater as interchangeable terms here

2 A (WITNESS JONES) Yes, I am.

3 I would just like to point to Figure 1 of this
4 exhibit and just briefly discuss this analysis.

5 DR. JORDAN: This is now he has turned on the
6 emergency feedwater; is that right?

7 WITNESS JONES: I was going to quickly explain
8 that. This is the same case that we have just discussed,
9 the .01 square foot break, except instead of turning on the
10 high pressure injection systems manually at 20 minutes, he
11 somehow manages to get back the emergency feedwater system
12 at 20 minutes.

13 DR. JORDAN: Yes.

14 WITNESS JONES: And as you can see, there is a
15 fairly rapid depressurization of the system as a result of
16 cold auxiliary feedwater causing steam within the primary
17 system to condense, which results in a depressurization
18 transient.

19 DR. JORDAN: So this is the boiler condenser
20 operation; is this right?

21 WITNESS JONES: That is correct. That is what you
22 would be in at this time when you restored feedwater. The
23 system rapidly depressurizes, automatically actuates the
24 high pressure injection system around 2100 seconds, which
25 then provides the cooling necessary to keep the core

1 covered.

2 And that is all I have for that exhibit.

3 MR. POLLARD: May I just ask two clarifying
4 questions.

5 BY MR. POLLARD:

6 Q In comparing Figure 6.2-60 in Exhibit 5 with
7 Figure 1 in Exhibit 8, if I understand your explanation, in
8 the high pressure injection case we have the pumps coming on
9 at 1200 seconds, and in the feedwater case we have the pumps
10 coming on at 1200 seconds. But it appears from these
11 figures that the pressure gets higher. The peak pressure in
12 one is higher than the peak pressure in the other. Could
13 you explain that?

14 A (WITNESS JONES) I think it is probably a result
15 of slightly different times for actuating the systems. Let
16 me check for some details.

17 DR. JORDAN: First, do you agree with the
18 characterization that it's not all that obvious to some of
19 us?

20 WITNESS JONES: It does appear, as best I can lay
21 the computer plots together, that it is slightly higher.
22 But let me -- as I said, I would like to look up a detail.
23 It is difficult to tell you the exact, you know, unless the
24 information in the exhibit has the exact proper time. I
25 would have to go back and look at the computer run, because

1 typically these are what you call restart computer runs.
2 And we could set up one case with a specific time interval,
3 and then to try to get the systems to actuate we may have to
4 go slightly longer into the computer run in order to get the
5 logic and the code to properly reflect it. But let me just
6 look through that.

7 DR. JORDAN: I think that is a sufficient
8 explanation at this time. If Mr. Pollard wants to pursue it
9 later, we will let him do so.

10 DR. LITTLE: What is the precision on these
11 numbers over here, plus or minus what? 2,000 psi plus or
12 minus what?

13 WITNESS JONES: I don't really know. The computer
14 evaluations that come out, of course, like any evaluation
15 with these models, will probably have some uncertainty. I
16 don't really know what it is. And part of the problem -- I
17 won't say problem. Part of the reason that you do several
18 of these evaluations for different break sizes is to assure
19 yourself that there are not large pluses and minuses.

20 If the pressure is for this case, say, off by 100
21 psi, that is the same effect as having a slightly smaller
22 break, and if it was lower it would have the same as having
23 a slightly larger break. So by doing this spectrum
24 analysis, you tend to wash out the types of uncertainties.

25 But as far as the statistical uncertainty of these

1 codes, I have no idea.

2 DR. JORDAN: Well, certainly we're not going to
3 depend on them for 5 percent numbers or something like that.

4 WITNESS JONES: Well, as I said, that is one of
5 the reasons why we run spectrums, in order to wash out some
6 of these effects.

7 DR. JORDAN: Okay.

8 WITNESS JONES: I guess I would now like to go on
9 to Table 4 of my written testimony, and we will still be
10 using Exhibit No. 5. And I would like to refer to Figure
11 6.2.62 of Exhibit 5.

12 Okay. This case is basically the TMI scenario,
13 without throttling of the high pressure injection system.
14 That is, the evaluation is a loss of main feedwater event
15 which results in a system repressurization, which opens the
16 PORV and it sticks open.

17 We have a reactor trip in this case on high
18 pressure. We have assumed there is one difference relative
19 to the TMI scenario, which is that we have assumed that the
20 emergency feedwater works. And we have assumed also a
21 single failure in the high pressure injection system. This
22 is essentially an analysis of the transient-induced LOCA. A
23 small break loss of coolant accident is similar to the TMI
24 event.

25 DR. JORDAN: But now, this does assume that the

1 set point for reactor trip is lower than the PORV as
2 required by the new modification?

3 WITNESS JONES: No. This analysis was done
4 assuming the old set points.

5 DR. JORDAN: So the first thing that happened was
6 that the PORV tripped. But nevertheless the pressure
7 continued to rise until the reactor tripped; is that right?

8 WITNESS JONES: Yes.

9 DR. JORDAN: Fine. I see that.

10 WITNESS JONES: And it would be very similar to a
11 case with the PORV set points inverted, because the time
12 frame that all these actions occur in are in the first ten
13 seconds of the transient.

14 DR. JORDAN: Yes, I see that.

15 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Mr. Jones, on the second event
16 you refer to repressurization. What repressurization over
17 what pressurization are we referring to? Because you didn't
18 have your LOCA at that point yet when you used the word
19 "repressurization."

20 WITNESS JONES: On Table 4?

21 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Yes, sir.

22 WITNESS JONES: Well, yes. The repressurization,
23 the reactor coolant pressure increase, I believe you're
24 talking, from line 2?

25 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Yes.

1 WITNESS JONES: Okay. That repressurization is a
2 result of the loss of main feedwater. The loss of main
3 feedwater results in a boiling of the inventory on the
4 secondary side, which decreases the heat transfer surface
5 from the primary system, which allows the system fluid to
6 heat up somewhat, which expands, compressing the steam space
7 in the pressurizer, and causes the system pressure to
8 increase.

9 CHAIRMAN SMITH: I understand that. What I did
10 not understand was when you say "repressure," where did you
11 explain your drop of pressure for it to repressurize?

12 WITNESS JONES: Well, it doesn't say it
13 repressurizes.

14 CHAIRMAN SMITH: I know. You said it.

15 WITNESS JONES: I'm sorry, I must have just
16 misspoke myself.

17 CHAIRMAN SMITH: That is what I thought.

18 WITNESS JONES: Basically, it is a fairly simple
19 transient. We have assumed in this case that the reactor
20 coolant pumps were running continuously. This analysis was
21 done to more or less simulate a prediction of TMI with our
22 evaluation, should -- if things had occurred correctly. And
23 as seen, the system just depressurizes -- after the initial
24 pressurization transient reactor trip, the system
25 depressurizes, actuates the high pressure injection system

1 automatically, and the system pressure stabilizes at roughly
2 1150 psi. And the forced circulation keeps very good heat
3 transfer to the steam generator, and that controls the
4 system pressure. And the accident is very easily handled.

5 That is basically everything on Table 4, on Table
6 5 of my written testimony.

7 DR. JORDAN: This is a case, of course -- the open
8 PORV is equivalent, then, to a break larger than .01.

9 WITNESS JONES: No. The PORV is a break area of
10 about .007 square feet, a 1.05 square inch orifice area.

11 DR. JORDAN: So slightly less than the case we
12 were discussing a few minutes ago?

13 WITNESS JONES: Yes. But the case we were
14 discussing a minute ago did not have feedwater delivered to
15 the steam generator. That case does.

16 DR. JORDAN: Of course. Thank you.

17 WITNESS JONES: For Table 5, I will be using
18 Exhibits 6 and 7.

19 (Pause.)

20 DR. JORDAN: Okay. I guess everyone has one.

21 WITNESS JONES: I would like to turn to Figure 2
22 in both of those documents. They are the core pressure
23 traces for both cases.

24 DR. JORDAN: Okay.

25 WITNESS JONES: The basic event that was being

1 analyzed in both of these analyses, they are the same
2 event. And I did want to put the two side by side each
3 other.

4 The testimony specifically is addressing Exhibit
5 7. Table 5 is basically off of Exhibit 7, but I would like
6 to discuss both of these to get a complete record. The
7 event is a failed open PORV with feedwater not delivered to
8 the generators. Both main and emergency feedwater is lost.

9 DR. JORDAN: I see. So the transient is in this
10 case a PORV opening by itself and staying open?

11 WITNESS JONES: Yes, with a total loss of
12 feedwater.

13 DR. JORDAN: Yes.

14 WITNESS JONES: And additionally to that, we have
15 assumed a single failure in the high pressure injection
16 system. So it is a fairly severe set of failures.

17 The analysis in Exhibit No. 6 is based on 1.2
18 times the ANS decay heat curve, and the analysis in Exhibit
19 7 is 1.0 times the ANS decay heat curve. The analyses
20 themselves are fairly similar in their response, and I will
21 just generally characterize the system response for these
22 events.

23 The system depressurizes in both events, resulting
24 in an automatic reactor trip on low pressure and an
25 automatic emergency safety features actuation signal being

1 reached, which actuates the high pressure injection system.

2 Now, as discussed earlier, it was stated that a
3 .01 square foot break would not result in actuation of the
4 emergency safety features. And yet, for this case you can
5 see that a .007 square foot break resulted in actuation of
6 the system. The main reason for that apparent inconsistency
7 is the difference between the fluid being discharged in both
8 cases for a break.

9 The .01 square foot break described previously was
10 a break in the cold leg which discharged water. So its
11 effect on the system is smaller than a break like in this
12 case, which is a steam side break, which results in a much
13 faster depressurization for any given leak flow.

14 DR. JORDAN: Are you going to make any attempt to
15 tell me why steam comes out faster than water? Is it a
16 matter of viscosity or what?

17 WITNESS JONES: It is not that it comes out
18 faster. You put the system condition together, you have in
19 these early portions of all of these transients basically a
20 normally full reactor coolant system with a pressurizer with
21 water in it and a steam space above it, with the pressurizer
22 being the controlling pressure point.

23 Now, if you have a break in a steam space its
24 influence on the system pressure is to decrease the level in
25 the pressurizer, and that expansion of steam is what

1 determines the system pressure. When you pop the top of the
2 pressurizer and draw off steam, its effect on the system
3 pressure is much more dramatic.

4 DR. JORDAN: Okay. I see.

5 WITNESS JONES: Now, in both these cases at about
6 600 seconds or thereabouts the pressurizer essentially
7 fills, and as a result of that the system pressure starts to
8 increase, because instead of bleeding steam you are now
9 taking out water.

10 In the case of the 1.2 ANS, you can see the system
11 pressure is on a continuous rise, and the best way to
12 characterize it is you are losing the race. As your
13 pressure goes up, your HPI is going down, which means you're
14 getting less inventory makeup, which means you get more
15 boiling and the core decay heat is changing faster.

16 It's contribution is larger because of the 1.2
17 factor, and you are not catching up as your pressure is
18 rising. It is not decaying rapidly enough for you. And
19 this case, if continued, would not be coolable with one high
20 pressure injection pumps.

21 If, however, you restore either a second pump --
22 this is 30 minutes -- or restore auxiliary feedwater to the
23 system, you would be able to keep the core cooled. For the
24 1.0 ANS decay heat curve, because of the mismatch in the
25 energy absorption capability for the high pressure injection

1 system and the core decay heat is lessened relative to the
2 other case, the 1.2 ANS, you can see that the
3 repressurization is slower. And as the core decay heat
4 decreases, you ultimately match it with the HPI, provide
5 enough cooling, and start to decrease the system pressure.
6 And that case would remain coolable with just one high
7 pressure injection pump.

8 DR. JORDAN: In the case of the 1.2 ANS, if the
9 curve were followed longer would it go up and hit the safety
10 valves, or would you run out of inventory first?

11 WITNESS JONES: I really don't know.

12 DR. JORDAN: But in any event, you are not
13 dissipating the heat as fast as it is being generated?

14 WITNESS JONES: That is correct, not with the one
15 pump.

16 I guess now I would like to move on to Table 6.

17 (Pause.)

18 And once again, I will be using Exhibit No. 5,
19 specifically Figure 6.2.93 and 6.2.148.

20 DR. JORDAN: How did you know what figures?

21 WITNESS JONES: I had to look for them, like
22 everybody else.

23 DR. JORDAN: Okay.

24 WITNESS JONES: These analyses, the analyses that
25 are discussed in Table 6 and shown on these two figures that

1 I just stated, are basically Appendix K analyses of very
2 small break LOCA's. That is, as seen previously, we had
3 performed analyses down to approximately .04 square feet.
4 These are two other analyses which have been performed using
5 the same Appendix K assumptions.

6 We have assumed that we have a very small break
7 LOCA and in this case on the order of .005 square feet and
8 .01 square feet.

9 DR. JORDAN: That is the difference between the
10 two curves you are pointing out?

11 WITNESS JONES: Yes, that is the difference. It
12 is strictly the break size.

13 We had used a core decay heat of 1.2 times the ANS
14 standard as by Appendix K. We have assumed a single failure
15 in the high pressure injection system. And we have assumed
16 that the emergency feedwater is delivered to the steam
17 generators.

18 These two analyses basically are the analyses
19 which form the bases for the testimony in response to UCS 1
20 and 2, describing the system response during a small break
21 LOCA and how the energy is removed via the steam generator
22 for smaller break sizes.

23 What occurs in these evaluations in both cases
24 initially is you get a system depressurization, resulting in
25 an automatic actuation of the -- you're on automatic reactor

1 trip -- an automatic actuation of the high pressure
2 injection system. When the system depressurizes to
3 approximately 1400 psi, you get some flashing within the
4 primary system, which slows down the depressurization.

5 You have some steam production and that slows the
6 depressurization rate. However, at this point in time you
7 have a natural circulation process occurring. The system is
8 basically liquid-full and you have a normal liquid natural
9 circulation process occurring.

10 DR. JORDAN: Even though it is two-phase liquid in
11 part?

12 WITNESS JONES: Even though there are some voids
13 in the system.

14 DR. JORDAN: Okay.

15 WITNESS JONES: Now, for the .01 square foot
16 break, at approximately 600 seconds the voids take up a
17 significant -- well, take up a large enough volume in the
18 primary system to block the path, the 180-degree U-bend in
19 the hot legs. For the .005 square foot break, that does not
20 occur until approximately 1200 to 1300 seconds.

21 As a result of the interruption of the natural
22 circulation flow and because of the small size of these
23 breaks, you get a system repressurization. At approximately
24 1500 seconds for the .01 square foot break and at around
25 2400, 2500 seconds for the .005 square foot break, you

1 establish the boiler condenser mode of cooling. What
2 happens is during this time period where the system is
3 repressurizing, you are continuing to lose fluid in excess
4 of the capacity of the HPI.

5 So you continue to lower the level in the primary
6 system until such time that you expose the surface area upon
7 which steam can condense on the cold tubes.

8 DR. JORDAN: I see. This is in the steam
9 generator primary side.

10 WITNESS JONES: That is correct.

11 DR. JORDAN: I see. I had not really understood
12 that until today.

13 WITNESS JONES: And you go right into the boiler
14 condenser and you will slowly repressurize over time for
15 both cases, as the core decay heat and the demand for energy
16 removal via the steam generator decreases. Again, in both
17 cases, like the others, adequate core cooling is continued
18 to be maintained throughout the transient due to the high
19 pressure injection system.

20 That finishes the use of Exhibit 5.

21 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Mr. Jones, I want to point out
22 that your title of Table 6 omitted the word "break." You
23 want very small break LOCA's, the way you identify it.

24 WITNESS JONES: Yes, I mean -- "LOCA"
25 automatically means break to me. I missed that one. I'm

1 sorry.

2 Table 7 of my testimony is based on the analyses
3 presented in Exhibits Nos. 10 and 11.

4 DR. JORDAN: Okay.

5 WITNESS JONES: To start off, I guess, I would
6 like to give a little narration before I get to the
7 figures. But the figure that I will be ultimately examining
8 will be Figure 2.5 of Exhibit No. 10.

9 Just to provide some background for this analysis,
10 the NRC issued I&E Bulletin 79-05C in roughly August, late
11 July and early August, requesting that analyses be performed
12 assuming the reactor cooling pumps remain operative for some
13 period of time during a small break LOCA, then are tripped
14 subsequent to the accident at any possible time.

15 This was a departure from typical analyses
16 assumptions, which were a loss of offsite power. Now, what
17 these exhibits provide is the analyses in response to that
18 specific -- the request of I&E Bulletin 79-05C, where we
19 have looked at a spectrum of small break LOCA's which range
20 from .025 square feet to up to a size of .2 square feet, and
21 we have assumed that the reactor coolant pumps remain
22 operative.

23 Now, Figure 2.5 shows the typical system pressure
24 response for the spectrum of cases that we had analyzed, and
25 is really not that much -- is really not that surprising

1 relative to the type of system pressure traces we have seen
2 from, you know, the reactor coolant pumps being off. But if
3 you turn to Figure 2.6 --

4 DR. JORDAN: Also of Exhibit 10?

5 WITNESS JONES: Yes. What was found was the void
6 fraction in the reactor coolant system could reach extremely
7 high levels, 90, 99 percent, for certain of these size
8 breaks. Now, basically what is happening for these
9 transients with the pumps on is the pumps tend to keep the
10 system homogeneous. When you do not have the reactor
11 coolant pumps, the process is basically a very slow draining
12 down of fluid through the leak and a slow loss of the liquid
13 inventory in the system.

14 But once the inventory in the primary system has
15 fallen below the nozzles that connect up to the reactor
16 vessel, the only way to lose inventory is through boiling,
17 so that you tend to collect or trap water without the pump
18 running in the low point of the reactor coolant system,
19 specifically the vessel and the loop seals in the pump
20 suction piping and some in the steam generator.

21 DR. JORDAN: And the position of the break?

22 WITNESS JONES: Well, the position of the break
23 that we had assumed in these analyses were in the cold leg
24 pump discharge piping, and we did an evaluation of a hot leg
25 break also. You are correct, if the break is in the pump

1 suction you will not collect or maintain inventory in the
2 pump suction for the side which is broken.

3 But that water, because of the geometrical
4 arrangement of the system, is effectively lost water,
5 anyway. Under a gravity draining situation, that water
6 cannot get to the vessel. It sits there. It has no flow
7 mechanism. It can't go uphill.

8 DR. JORDAN: Okay. But I guess I'm having a
9 little trouble understanding the difference with the pumps
10 running and the pumps not running. Is it because you have
11 two-phased liquid at the break in one place and water
12 essentially at the other place, and therefore that changes
13 the rate at which you're losing inventory?

14 WITNESS JONES: That is basically correct. What
15 happens is, without the pumps you lose water for a period of
16 time and then you lose steam, basically. With the pumps
17 running, you lose water continuously, irregardless of the
18 void fraction, because of the assumed homogeneous nature of
19 the primary system.

20 And what the system is trying to do is reach a
21 void fraction whereby the HPI flow in equals the liquid mass
22 out. And that void fraction is basically determined by the
23 break size and how the system pressure changes, because that
24 changes the leak rate. And as you can see, for a large
25 fraction of these break sizes that we looked at, you reach

1 very, very high void fractions, on the order of 95 percent.

2 Now, that is not a problem, provided that the
3 reactor coolant pumps continue to run. The analysis we
4 performed demonstrated that keeping the reactor coolant
5 running through this phase of the transient would provide
6 adequate core cooling. There are some questions as to
7 whether the mechanical integrity of the pump was such that
8 it could continue to run in these void fractions, and as a
9 result of this to postulate that the reactor coolant pumps
10 may be lost at these high void fractions is not extremely
11 unreasonable.

12 If you lose the reactor coolant pumps at these
13 high void fractions, you will have very little inventory
14 remaining in the system. You have only five percent of the
15 system inventory left to you, and it will collect in the
16 reactor vessel and in the loop seals when the pumps come
17 off, because the mixing force is essentially lost.

18 Now, you have to refill the reactor coolant system
19 and specifically the reactor vessel and core, try to recover
20 the core. But these are high pressure transients and you do
21 not have a pump which is capable of refilling the system
22 rapidly, as you do at low pressures for large breaks. And
23 for these cases it could not be demonstrated absolutely with
24 Appendix K assumptions that you can provide adequate core
25 cooling. And as a result of this, it was recommended that

1 the reactor coolant pumps be tripped upon receipt of a low
2 pressure ESFAS signal in the interim.

3 And there are other acceptable schemes that could
4 be used, but at the time that we did the analysis that was
5 the recommended trip signal for the plants that were
6 operating.

7 Now, if you go to Figure 11 of Exhibit No. 11.

8 DR. JORDAN: Does everybody have it?

9 WITNESS JONES: This is essentially a synopsis of
10 a study that we did, and what it shows basically is, if you
11 trip the reactor coolant pumps early -- that is, to the left
12 of the outline figure called "critical region" -- you would
13 be able to assure adequate core cooling following a small
14 break LOCA. If you tripped the pumps to the right of the
15 figure, it is the same case. But that there is a region
16 which we call the critical region under which we could not
17 absolutely guarantee that adequate core cooling would be
18 provided.

19 Though I would like to point out, one of the
20 evaluations that we did within these two documents -- and
21 I'm not sure which one it is in -- was a best estimate
22 analysis of the consequences of losing the pump at the worst
23 time. That analysis showed peak clad temperatures of
24 approximately 2,000 degrees, so that this is not all -- this
25 is a product of both the Appendix K analysis rules and under

1 realistic circumstances this may not be a problem.

2 But it was determined that the pumps should be
3 tripped promptly upon receipt of an appropriate signal,
4 without diagnostics or anything like that. Basically, if
5 you get the signal, go punch a button to trip the reactor
6 coolant pumps.

7 DR. JORDAN: Thank you. I never understood that
8 one before.

9 WITNESS JONES: The last table, Table No. 8,
10 utilizes Licensee's Exhibit No. 13.

11 That is the analysis we had discussed earlier on
12 the very small breaks, where no feedwater was available at
13 all. We saw that the system could repressurize. And as I
14 stated previously, smaller breaks would go up and actuate
15 either the PORV or the safety valve.

16 This case is essentially an analysis of the
17 potential consequential failure in that mode. It is where
18 you have a -- the same case we were talking about, the .01
19 square foot break with no action for 20 minutes, and for the
20 analysis what we did was we just simulated a stuck-open
21 PORV, even though the signal had not quite been reached,
22 because we recognized that a slightly smaller break would
23 give us essentially the same results.

24 So we opened up the PORV at 20 minutes and also
25 actuated the high pressure injection pumps at 20 minutes.

1 And what that analysis showed -- and if you look at, I
2 guess, specifically Figure 1 of Exhibit No. 13, the system
3 depressurizes as a result of the additional break in the
4 system, and after two HPI's -- and that these two HPI's
5 could handle not only the break itself, but the potential
6 consequential failure that could occur under this scenario.

7 DR. JORDAN: Yes.

8 WITNESS JONES: That was the basic result and the
9 reason that the analysis was done.

10 That finishes all my tables.

11 DR. JORDAN: Some time -- and it doesn't need to
12 be today -- I will ask you to analyze those cases which
13 required two high pressure injection pumps and the
14 assumptions for heat rates or whatever else was connected
15 with those. But I think that we will surely get into that
16 when we get into cross-examination, anyhow. So it does not
17 need to be done today, but it is going to come up. So get
18 ready over the weekend, I guess is my thing.

19 Now, Mr. Chairman, it's almost the right time for
20 -- it seems hardly worthwhile to start cross-examination.

21 WITNESS JONES: Dr. Jordan, could I ask one
22 question, please? You said you want to go into some heat
23 rates and stuff, and that may mean I've got to do some
24 looking up the runs, and I'd like a little more direction.

25 DR. JORDAN: What I'd like for you to do is, to

1 get ready for either my question or Mr. Pollard's: Are
2 there not a number of situations where you require two
3 high-pressure injection systems, and therefore don't you
4 have a problem with the single-failure criteria? And I
5 don't want to ask that question today, but I will ask it
6 some time or other. I don't think I will, because Mr.
7 Pollard will beat me to it.

8 WITNESS JONES: All right. I just wanted to
9 understand if I needed to do a lot of analysis to look at
10 it. Thank you.

11 MR. BAXTER: Mr. Chairman, at this point I would
12 like to move into evidence Licensee's Exhibits 3 through
13 14.

14 MS. WEISS: No objection.

15 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Any objection, Mr. Cutchin?

16 MR. CUTCHIN: No objection.

17 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Mr. Adler?

18 MR. THEODORE ADLER: No objection.

19 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Licensee's Exhibits 3 through 14
20 are received.

21 (The documents referred to,
22 previously marked as
23 Licensee's Exhibits Nos. 3
24 through 14 for
25 identification, were received

1 in evidence.)

2 CHAIRMAN SMITH: I would guess you would want the
3 weekend to prepare for your cross-examination?

4 MS. WEISS: I think we're going to want to start
5 with what the witness has just said, rather than what we had
6 planned to start with on the cross-examination plan.

7 CHAIRMAN SMITH: All right. We have provided for
8 the delivery of the Intervenor's transcripts to your office
9 in Washington on Monday. Has that been worked out
10 satisfactorily?

11 MS. WEISS: Yes, it has been, yes.

12 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Is there anything further?

13 MS. WEISS: Could I bring up just a couple of
14 scheduling matters as an alternative to moving the hearings
15 to Washington, which I don't think really can be done, and
16 we would not request that.

17 CHAIRMAN SMITH: We have never suggested moving
18 the hearings to Washington. We said we would consider it on
19 a particular circumstance, if you had a requirement.

20 MS. WEISS: In any case, we would like to request
21 that we delay the starting point of Tuesday's hearings until
22 perhaps 10:00 o'clock in the morning and go an additional
23 hour that evening to accommodate some of us who are driving
24 up. I think the Chair is himself.

25 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Always? I mean, week-in and

1 week-out?

2 MS. WEISS: Well, when we are here I'd request it
3 for our benefit. I don't know if the other parties need it
4 or not. But at least next weekend we can't.

5 MR. BAXTER: We don't need it.

6 CHAIRMAN SMITH: The only thing you're suggesting
7 is that we just shift the hearing day, for people who want
8 to drive up on the same day the hearing begins?

9 MS. WEISS: Yes. If we could start on Tuesday
10 morning, instead of 9:00 a.m., at 10:00 a.m., and perhaps go
11 an extra hour that day, and make up for that hour.

12 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Does that create a problem for
13 the reporting service?

14 THE REPORTER: No.

15 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Does anybody object to that
16 procedure?

17 MR. CUTCHIN: It creates no problem for the staff,
18 Mr. Chairman.

19 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Dr. Little suggested, too, that
20 we might consider the possibility of starting earlier on
21 Fridays and allot a bigger segment of time for that day.
22 But we can take that up at another time.

23 MS. WEISS: We're dragging pretty hard by Friday.

24 CHAIRMAN SMITH: All right. We will meet, then,
25 Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

1 MR. BAXTER: Mr. Chairman, I discussed at least
2 with Ms. Weiss the Board's latest determination that at
3 least tentatively we would try to file cross-examination
4 plans on agenda items 4, 5 and 6 on November 12th, and given
5 the pace of the hearing we think it would be sufficient and
6 we would propose just to file plans on agenda item number 4
7 on the 12th, with the Board's permission.

8 CHAIRMAN SMITH: All right.

9 MS. WEISS: I would just want to add one thing to
10 that. We have had discussions with the Licensee and the
11 staff about this potential problem of reaching item number 5
12 before the staff's interrogatories are completed. I just
13 wanted to report to you that the staff has told us that
14 they're going to make every effort to get those to us by
15 Thursday of next week.

16 If that happens and if the hearing proceeds as we
17 think it will, then that would obviate the need for
18 rescheduling. But if that doesn't happen, we would need --
19 I just want to put the Board on notice that we might need to
20 do some rescheduling.

21 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Item number 4 promises to be one
22 of the longest segments.

23 MS. WEISS: I think it is highly unlikely that we
24 will get to 5 next week. And assuming that the staff can
25 get the answers to the interrogatories in by next Thursday,

1 that ought to obviate the problem.

2 CHAIRMAN SMITH: All right.

3 MR. CUTCHIN: Mr. Chairman, just so the record is
4 straight, they would be to me on Thursday and I will do my
5 best to get it to Ms. Weiss soon thereafter. I said I would
6 get them to her by Friday if at all possible. But either
7 way, it should not be a problem.

8 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Okay.

9 Mr. Baxter, do you have something?

10 MR. BAXTER: No.

11 CHAIRMAN SMITH: If there's nothing further, then.

12 MS. WEISS: One more thing. The Board asked us to
13 make those markings on UCS Exhibit 1, the mockup of the
14 matrix. Those have been done. We have supplied the
15 reporter with the marked copies. We have asked the
16 Applicant, the Licensee and the staff to look those over and
17 to see if they are accurate. And so I would ask them now if
18 they have any problems with the marked-up copies.

19 MR. BAXTER: One moment.

20 MR. CUTCHIN: The staff has not seen it yet, to my
21 knowledge.

22 CHAIRMAN SMITH: Well, if you haven't seen it,
23 let's take it up -- although we indicated that it's
24 desirable that we have the exhibits in the reporter's hand
25 at week's end, it doesn't have to be.

1 MS. WEISS: Okay.

2 CHAIRMAN SMITH: So we'll take it up Monday,
3 because you heard Mr. Cutchin say that he has not seen the
4 comparison -- or Tuesday.

5 All right, then. We will adjourn until 10:00 a.m.
6 Tuesday.

7 (Whereupon, at 12:14 p.m., the hearing was
8 adjourned, to reconvene at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November
9 10, 1980.)

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