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original methodology. We believe the Battelle results are correct based on the material property results and comparison with existing test reactor data on actual Maine Yankee vessel material. Using the Battelle results, new curves have been prepared which are being used to generate conservative heatup and cooldown rate curves for the reactor vessel. An amendment to the Technical Specifications, relative to reactor vessel heatup, cooldown and pressure-temperature limitations, utilizing these new curves is presently being prepared. The full report from Battelle Columbus Laboratories is being submitted, under separate cover, in accordance with 10CFR50 Appendix H.