

## DUKE POWER

January 22. 1990

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2

Docket Nos. 50-369 and 50-370

ASME Section XI Hydrostatic Testing Requirements

Relief Request No. 89-02, Revision

## Gentlemen:

By letter dated February 16, 1989, we requested relief from ASME Section XI hydrostatic testing requirements pertaining to modifications on the McGuire Nuclear Service Hater system (see Attachment No. 1). The NRC staff approved our request by letter dated June 29, 1989 (see Attachment No. 2). Subsequent to your approval, and prior to our implementation of the modifications, changes to the modification plans (MG-12243, Unit 1 and MG-22243, Unit 2) were necessary.

In the original scope of the modifications, we planned to replace an existing valve with a new stainless steel (SS) valve of the same size (20 inch), and add a 12 inch length of SS pipe to the outlet side of the valve to mitigate the effects of erosion (see Attachment No. 1.) Our subsequent plans are to use a 16 inch SS valve, two 16 inch by 20 inch SS reducers, and a 12 inch SS pipe installed on the inlet side of the valve as well as the outlet side of the valve (see Attachment No. 3). Our decision to use the smaller sized valve is based on improved valve performance. Currently, when operating this system, the 20 inch valve is throttled at approximately 15% open. The 16 inch valve can be throttled open at greater than 15% reducing flow impingement on the outlet side of the valve, thereby reducing erosion.

We request that NRC staff approval of our original Relief Request be extended to include the changes to modifications MG-12243 and MG-22243. The original basis for our request for relief from hydrostatic testing is still valid. Hydrostatic testing is impractical due to the inadequacy of the test boundaries. The hydrostatic test boundary isolation valves include 36 inch, 20 inch, and 18 inch butterfly valves. These valves have a history of leakage and do not offer adequate isolation to permit a hydrostatic test.

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk January 22, 1990 Page 2

In lieu of hydrostatic testing, all welds in the modification will be subjected to a dye penetrant or magnetic particle examination on root pass and finished weld. In addition, an in-service leak test will further verify the new connections do not leak.

As you know, our Unit 1 refueling outage was started early due to turbine problems. We had planned to start our Unit 1 outage in March 1990. Since this modification was planned for this outage, we request approval of this request by March 1, 1990.

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, please contact Steve LeRoy at (704) 373-6233.

Very truly yours,

Hal B. Tucker

SEL508

Attachment

xc: Mr. S.D. Ebneter
Administrator, Region II
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
101 Marietta St., NW, Suite 2900
Atlanta, GA 30323

Mr. Darl Hood, Project Manager U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Washington, D.C. 20555

Mr. P.K. Van Doorn NRC Senior Resident Inspector McGuire Nuclear Station Ú.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk January 22, 1990

Attachment No. 1

Duke Power Company PO Box 33198 Churiotte NC 28242 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk January 22, 1990 ATTACHMENT NO. 1 1580



## DUKE POWER

February 16, 1989

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Document Control Desk Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2

Decket Nos. 50-369 and 50-370

ASME Code Section XI Hydrostatic Testing Requirements

Relief Request No. 89-02

## Gentlemen:

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(5)(iii), find attached the subject relief request that applies for exemption from ASME hydrostatic testing requirements as they pretain to modifications on the McGuire Nuclear Service Water system. There are a total of six modifications. The first modification is scheduled for implementation around July 1989; therefore, it is requested that NRC review and approval be obtained prior to that date.

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, please contact S.E. LeRoy at (704) 373-6233.

Very truly yours.

Hal B. Tue harfur

Hal B. Tucker

SEL/relief3/sel

### Attachment

xc: Mr. M.L. Ernst
Deputy Regional Administrator, Region II
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
101 Marietta St., NW, Suite 2900
Atlanta, GA 30323

Mr. Darl Hood U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Washington, D.C. 20555

Mr. P.K. Van Doorn NRC Resident Inspector McGuire Nuclear Station

8902230456 (1499)

# DUKE POWER COMPANY McGUIRE NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1 REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM ASME CODE SECTION XI REQUIREMENTS RELIEF REQUEST NO. 89-02

## 1. Component For Which Relief Is Requested:

### A. Components:

- Welds and flange connections on NSMs MG-12233 Rev. 0 and MG-22233 Rev. 0, (see attachment 1).
- Welds and flange connections on NSMs MG-12243 Rev.O and MG-22243 Rev.O, (see attachment 2).
- Welds and flange connections on NSMs MG-22130 Rev.O, (see attachment 3).
- 4) Welds and flange connections on NSMs MG-52128 Rev.O, (see attachment 4).

These modifications are being installed as part of McGuire Nuclear Station's continuing effort to improve the reliability and maintainability of the Nuclear Service Water system. (See attachments 5-10 for flow diagrams.)

#### B. Function:

The Nuclear Service Water system (RN) is a nuclear safety related, Class C system that provides assured cooling water to various station heat exchangers during all phases of plant operation. In conjunction with Lake Norman and the Standby Nuclear Service Water Pond, the RN system is designed to assure cooling for normal plant operation, and to provide cooling for safe shutdown normally, or as a result of a postulated Loss of Coolant Accident. The purpose of each NSM listed above is discussed below:

- 1) NSM MG-12233 Rev. O and NSM MG-22233 Rev. O replace flow elements 1RNFE5370, 2RNFE5360, and 2RNFE5370 which provide flow indication for RN system to Component Cooling (KC) Heat Exchangers 1B, 2A, and 2B respectively.
- 2) NSM MG-12243 Rev. O and NSM MG\_22243 Rev. O will replace valves 1RN-89A, 1RN-190B, 2RN-89A, and 2RN-190B which are 20 inch Fisher Butterfly valves used for flow regulation and isolation of RN system to KC Heat Exchangers.
- 3) NSM MG-22130 Rev. O will replace expansion joints 2RN4A and 2RN4B which are used to minimize pump suction casing loading on RN Pumps 2A and 2B respectively.

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission February 16, 1989 Attachment Page 2

- 4) NSM MG-52128 Rev. O will add piping and valves to allow RN system water to the Control Area HVAC/Chilled Water system (VC/YC) chiller to be discharged to the common 36 inch RN header between Unit 1 and Unit 2. This modification will aid RN system work on Unit 1.
- C. ASME III Code Class:

Equivalent Class 3

D. Materials:

See attachmented drawings.

2. ASME Code Section XI Requirement That Has Been Determined To Be Impractical:

ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Section XI, 1980 Edition through Winter 1980 addenda, Article IWA-4400 and Article IWD-5000

3. Basis For Requesting Relief:

For the modifications listed, we have determined that hydrostatic testing is impracticle due to inadequate test boundries. The hydrostatic test boundary isolation valves include 36 inch, 20 inch, and 18 inch butterfly valves which have a history of leakage. These valves do not offer adequate isolation to accomplish a hydrostatic test using conventional hydro equipment.

The RN system is a low pressure, low temperature system with a design pressure of no more than 135 PSIG and design temperature of no more than 150 degrees-F. Hydrostatic test pressure for the RN system is 110% of the design pressure or approximately 150 PSIG. NSM MG-22130 Rev. O involves an additional concern of over-pressurizing and damaging the bellows assembly of the expansion joints while attempting a hydro. The expansion joints have a design pressure of 35 PSIG. Hydrostatic test pressure for this section of piping would be 38.5 PSIG. The alternate testing offers less chance of pressure damage to the bellows assembly because inservice inspection pressure at the expansion joints would be approximately 1 to 5 PSIG.

4. Alternative Testing:

All welds will be subjected to a dye penetrant (PT) or a magnetic particle (MT) examination on the root pass and on the finished weld. An in-service leak test will also be performed at normal system pressure.

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission February 16, 1989 Attachment Page 3

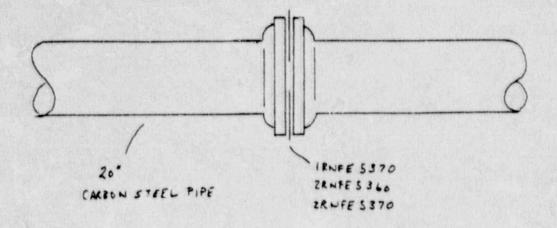
5. Why The Alternate Proposed Testing Will Provide An Acceptable Level Of Quality And Safety:

The ASME Code requires a dye penetrant (PT) or magnetic particle (MT) examination on the finished weld surface for greater than 4 inch NPS. We will have imposed an additional MT or PT on the root pass weld which will detect any defects in the root weld. The inservice leak inspection will verify the new flange connections do not leak. It is our position that the alternate testing is comparable to hydrostatic testing for finding defects in the welds and mechanical flange connections.

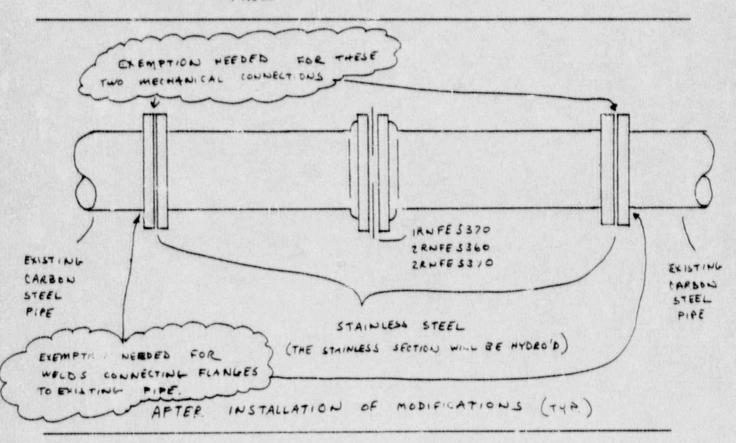
6. Implementation:

The following are the approximate dates for implementation of the modifications:

- a) NSM MG-12233 Rev. 0 January 1, 1991
- b) NSM MG-22233 Rev. 0 September 1, 1990
- c) NSM MG-12243 Rev. 0 January 1, 1990
- d) NSM MG-22243 Rev. 0 July 1, 1989
- e) NSM MG-22130 Rev. 0 July 1, 1989
- f) NSM MG-52128 Rev. 0 September 1, 1989

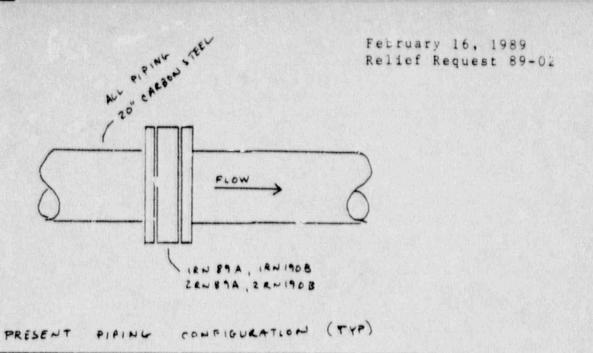


PRESENT PIPING CONFIGURATION (TYP)



THIS DRAWING APPLIES TO NSM'S MIG-12233 RUO + MG-22233 RUO.

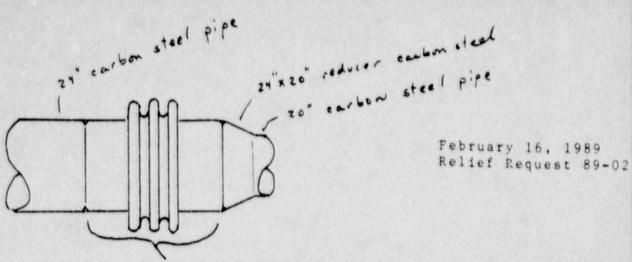
ATTACHMENT 1



NEW VALUE OF STAINLESS STEEL CAEBIN PIPING COMET RUCTION FLOW EXIST ING CAEBIN PIPE STAINLES EXEMPTION IS NEEDED STEEL IRW894 , 12 ~ 150 B FOR ALL WELDS AND FLANGE CONNECTIONS ASSOCIATED ZRN89A, ZKN190B THESE MODIFICATIONS AFTER IMPLEMENTATION OF MODIFICATIONS (TYP) PIPING

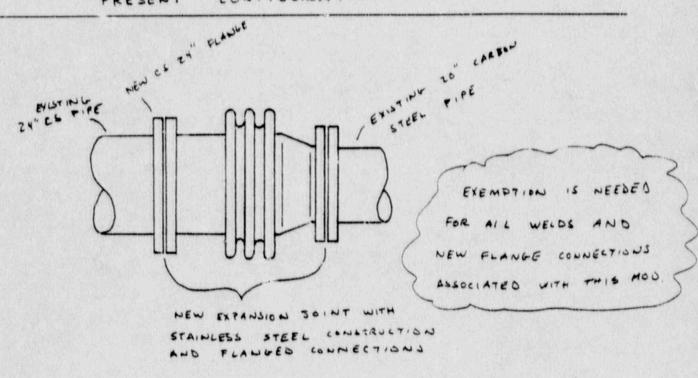
THIS DRAWING APPLIES TO NEM'S MG - 12243 RUO + MG - 22243 RUO

ATTACHMENT Z



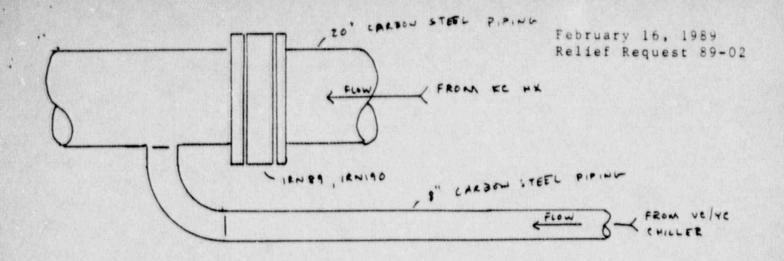
ZANYA, ZRNYB EXPANSION SOINTS WELDED IN PLACE

PRESENT CONFIGURATION

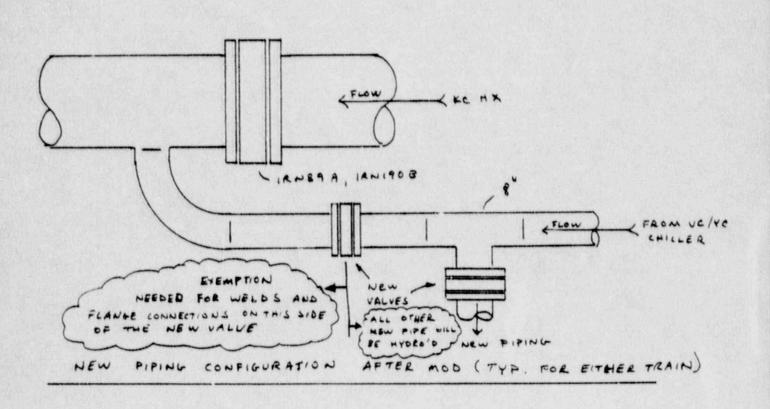


PIPING CONFIGURATION AFTER MOD IS IMPLEMENTED

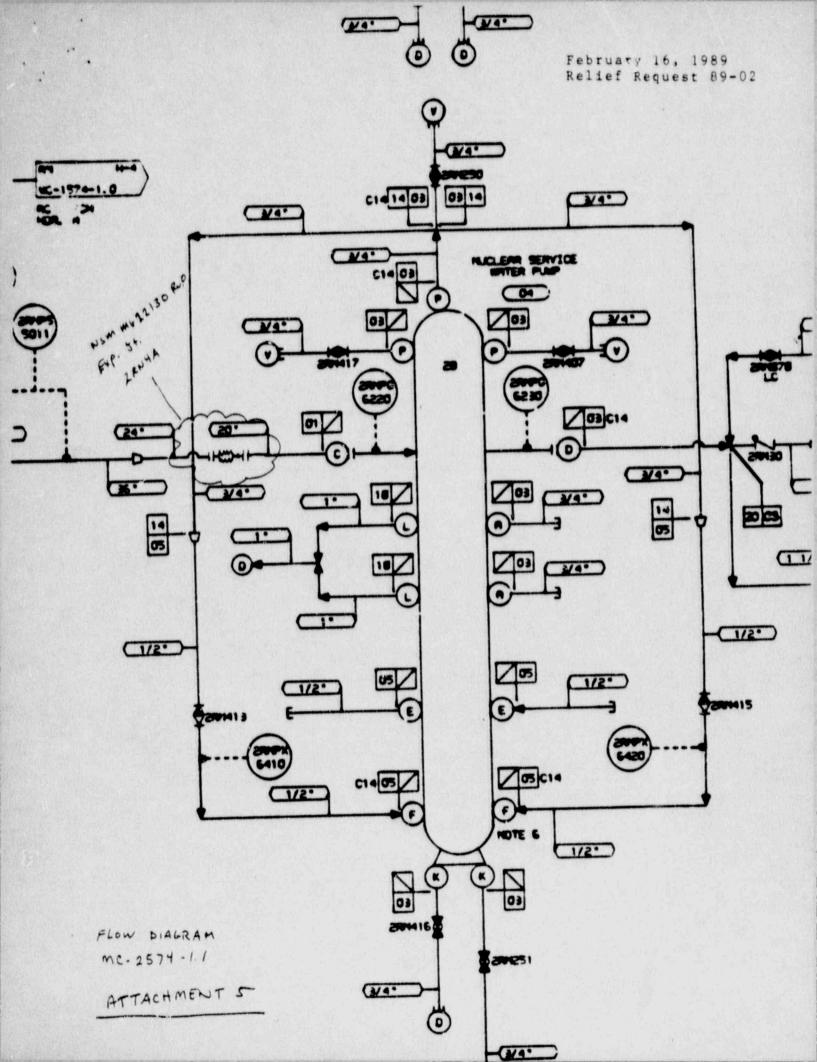
THIS DRAWING APPLIES TO NEM MG-22130 R.O.

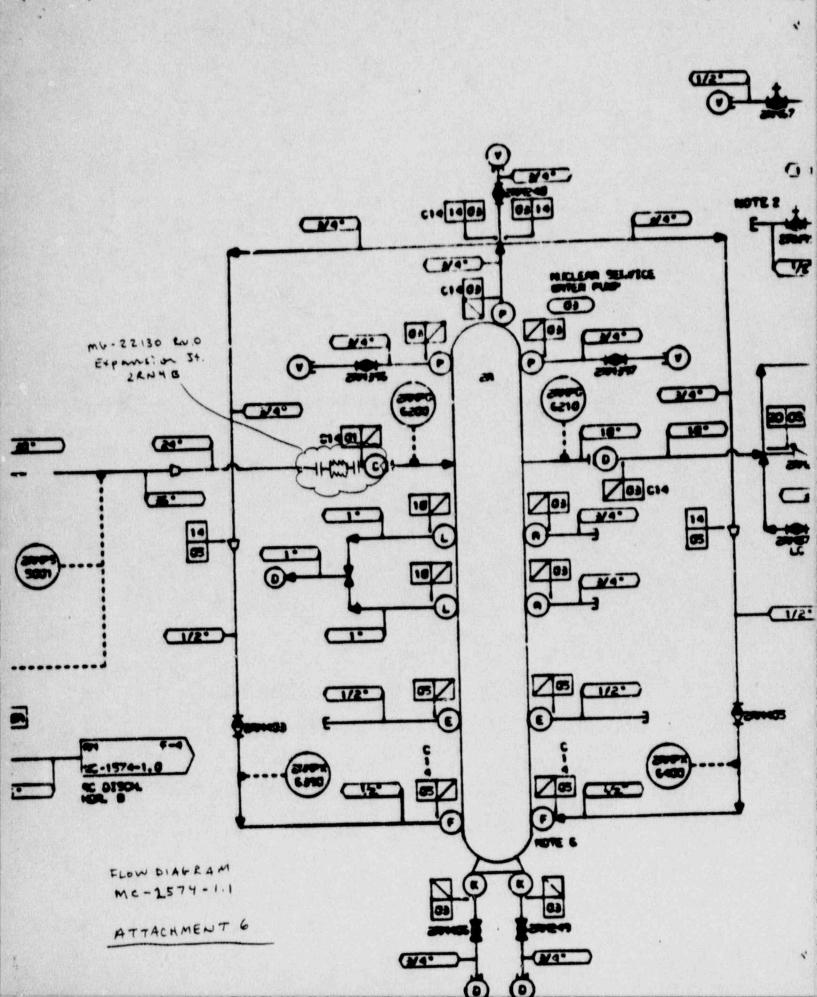


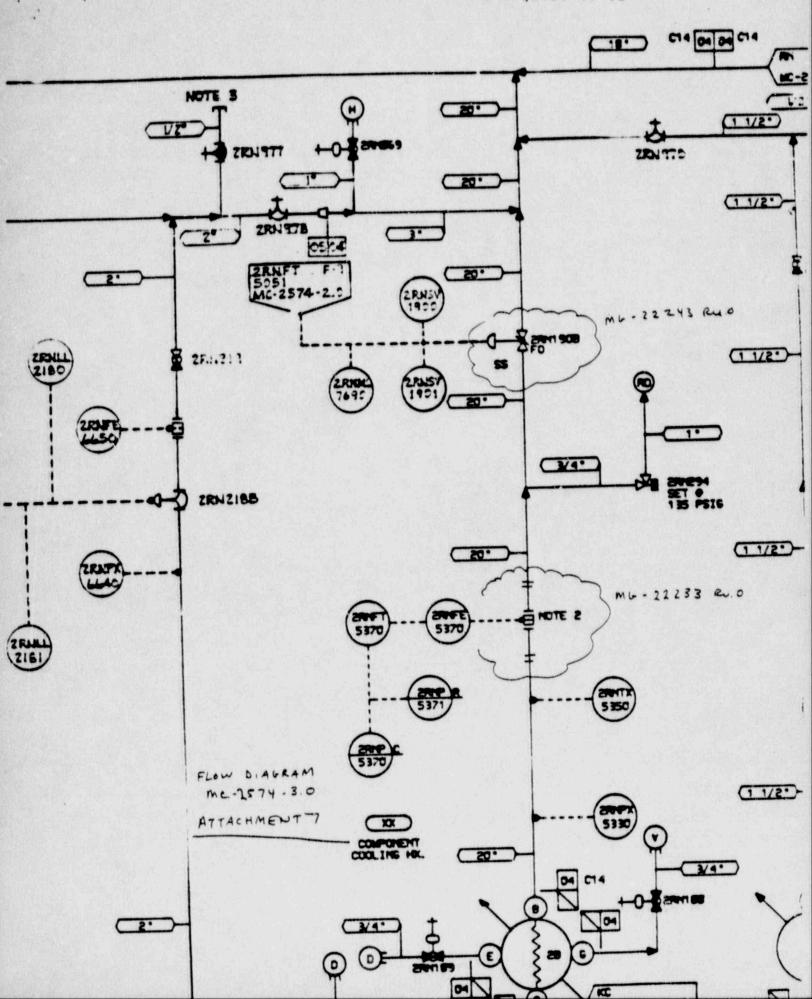
PRELENT PIPING CONFIGURATION (TYP. FOR EITHER TRAIN)

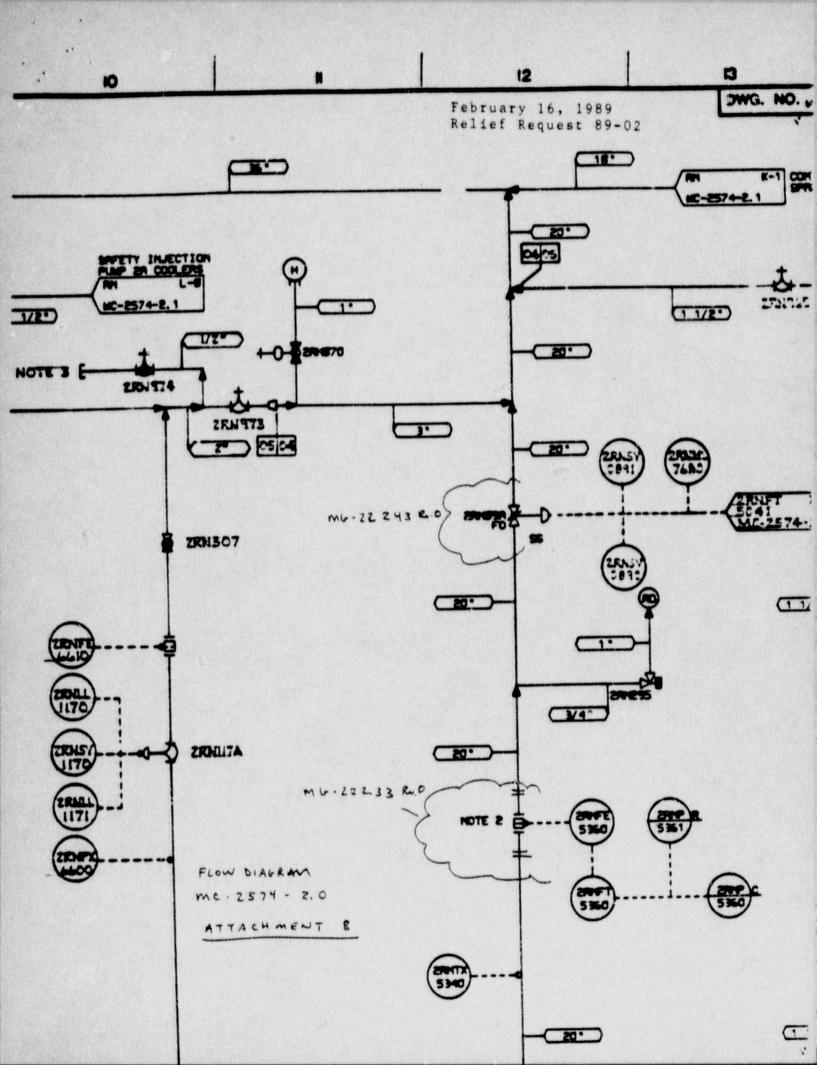


THIS DRAW INF APPLIES TO NEM MG-52128 RU.D









14.0 mb- 12243 Rev. 0 :- :: 4 4+ TIN 1912 IRME 5370 INCX . 3:: .33. 1 1 17. . F. . (VC/YC chiller) ANTHONE 3 FRI .

\*\* \*

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk January 22, 1990

Attachment No. 2

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk January 22, 1990 ATTACHMENT NO. 2



## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

Tune 29, 1989

Docket Nos. 50-369 50-370

> Mr. H. B. Tucker, Vice President Nuclear Production Department Duke Power Company 422 South Church Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28242

Dear Mr. Tucker:

SUBJECT: RELIEF FOR HYDROSTATIC TESTING AFTER NUCLEAR SERVICE WATER SYSTEM MODIFICATIONS - MCGUIRE NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2, RELIEF REQUESTS 88-05 AND 89-02 (TAC 68972, 68973, 72215 and 72216)

By letters dated June 27, 1988, and February 16, 1989, you requested relief from the hydrostatic pressure testing requirement of Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, 1980 Edition through Winter 1980 Addenda, IWA-4400 and IWB-5000. The requests (Nos. 88-05 and 89-02, respectively) are associated with modifications to the Nuclear Service Water System for McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2. Specifically, the modifications are those identified by your following nuclear station modification (NSM) numbers:

NSM	MG-12233.	Revision	C	NSM	MG-52128.	Revision	0
NSM	MG-22233.	Pevision	0	NSM	MG-12107.	Revision	0
NSM	MG-12243.	Revision	0	NSM	MG-22107.	Revision	0
NSM	MG-22243.	Revision	0	THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE	MG-12129,	THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE	
NSM	MC-22130,	Revision	0		MG-22129,		

In lieu of the required hydrostatic test, you proposed non-destructive examination consisting of dye penetrant or magnetic particle examination of the welds and inservice leak tests.

The staff agrees that the specific requirements of Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, 1980 Edition through Winter 1980 Addenda, are impractical in these cases, so that relief from the inservice hydrostatic tests required by Section XI is justified. Your alternative non-destructive examination and inservice leak testing will provide an acceptable level of structural integrity. Our Safety Evaluation is enclosed.

890744023 (488)

-

Project Directorate 11-3

Division of Reactor Projects - I/II Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosure: As stated

cc w/encl: See next page CC: Mr. A.V. Carr, Esq. Duke Power Company P. O. Box 33189 422 South Church Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28242

County Manager of Mecklenburg County 720 East Fourth Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Mr. J. S. Warren Duke Power Company Nuclear Production Department P. O. Box 33189 Charlotte, North Carolina 28242

J. Michael McGarry, III, Esq. Bishop, Cook, Purcell and Reynolds 1400 L Street, N.W. Washington, D. C. 20005

Senior Resident Inspector c/o U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Route 4, Box 529 Hunterville, North Carolina 28078

Regional Administrator, Region II U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 101 Marietta Street, N.W., Suite 2900 Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Ms. S. S. Kilborn

Area Manager, Mid-South Area

ESSD Projects

Westinghouse Electric Corporation

MNC west Tower - Bay 239

P. O. Box 355

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15230

Dr. John M. Barry
Department of Environmental Health
Mecklenburg County
1200 Blythe Boulevard
Charlotte, North Carolina 28203

Mr. Dayne H. Brown, Chief Radiation Protection Branch Division of Facility Services Department of Human Resources 701 Barbour Drive Raleigh, North Carolina 27603-2008

Mr. Alan R. Herdt, Chief Project Branch #3 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 101 Marietta Street, NW, Suite 2900 Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Ms. Karen E. Long Assistant Attorney General N. C. Department of Justice P.O. Box 629 Raleigh, North Carolina 27602



## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20656

## REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

DUKE POWER COMPANY

DOCKET NOS. 50-369 AND 50-370

MCGUIRE NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Technical Specification 4.0.5 for the McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, states that the surveillance requirements for inservice inspection of ASME Code Class 1, 2, and 3 components shall be performed in accordance with Section XI of the ASME Code and applicable Addenda as required by 10 CFR 50.55a(g), except where specific written relief has been granted by the Commission pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(1).

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(5), if the licensee determines that conformance with an examination requirement of Section XI of the ASME Code is not practical for the facility, information shall be submitted to the Commission in support of that determination and a request made for relief from the ASME Code requirement. After evaluation of the determination, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i), the Commission may grant relief and may impose alternative requirements as it determines to be authorized by law, will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security, and are otherwise in the public interest giving due consideration to the burden upon the licensee that could result if the requirements were imposed.

In letters dated June 27, 1988, and February 16, 1989, Duke Power Company (the licensee) requested relief from hydrostatic testing requirements of Section XI. 1980 Edition, including Winter 1980 Addenda, of the ASME Code, Article IWA-4400 and Article IWD-5000, for the McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2. These requests were identified as Relief Request Numbers 88-05 and 89-02, respectively. Both requests are associated with modifications to the McGuire Nuclear Service Water (RN) System. The requests and supporting information have been evaluated by the NRC staff, as noted in the following description and evaluation.

8907110026

(4PP)

## 2.0 DESCRIPTION

## RELIEF REQUEST NO. 89-02

In its letter of February 16, 1989, the licensee requested relief from ASME Code requirements for six modifications proposed to improve the reliability and maintainability of the RN system. This system is an ASME Code, Class 3 system, providing cooling water to various heat exchangers during all phases of plant operation. The relief request is for weld and flange corrections associated with six nuclear station modifications (NSM). These six modifications and their planned dates for implementation are:

- NSM MG-12233, Rev. 0 January 1, 1991 (b) NSM MG-22233, Rev. 0 - September 1, 1990 (c) NSM MG-12243, Rev. 0 - January 1, 1990 (d) NSM MG-22243, Rev. 0 - July 1, 1989
- (e) NSM MG-22130, Rev. 0 July 1, 1989 (f) NSM MG-52128, Rev. 0 - September 1, 1989

The purpose of each NSM listed above is discussed below:

- NSM MG-12233 Rev. O and NSM MG-22233 Rev. O replace flow elements 1RNFE5370, 2RNFE5360, and 2RNFE5370 which provide flow indication for RN system to Component Cooling (KC) Heat Exchangers 1B, 2A, and 2B respectively.
- NSM MG-12243 Rev. O and NSM MG-22243 Rev. O will replace valves 2) 1RN-89A, 1RN-190B, 2RN-89A, and 2RN-190B which are 20-inch Fisher butterfly valves used for flow regulation and isolation of RN system to KC Heat Exchangers.
- 3) NSM MG-22130 Rev. O will replace expansion joints 2RN4A and 2RN4B which are used to minimize pump suction casing loading on RN Pumps 2A and 2B respectively.
- 4) NSM MG-52128 Rev. O will add piping and valves to allow RN system water to the Control Area HVAC/Chilled Water system (VC/YC) chiller to be discharged to the common 36-inch RN header between Unit 1 and Unit 2. This modification will aid RN system work on Unit 1.

For the above modifications the licensee requested relief because testing is impractical due to the inadequacy of the test boundaries. The hydrostatic test boundary isolation valves include 36-in., 20-in., and 18-in., butterfly valves. These valves have a history of leakage and do not offer adequate isolation to permit a hydrostatic test.

The RN system is a low pressure, low temperature system designed to a pressure of 135 psig and a temperature of 150° F. The required test pressure is 1.1 times design or approximately 150 psig. NSM MG-22130. Rev. O, contains an expansion bellows assembly having a design pressure of 35 psig. The required test pressure for this section of piping would be 38.5 psig.

In lieu of hydrostatic testing, the licensee proposes that all welds in the modifications be subjected to a dye penetrant (PT) or magnetic particle (MT) examination on the root pass and finished weld. An in-service leak test would also be performed at normal system pressure.

## RELIEF REQUEST NO. 88-05

In its letter of June 27, 1988, the licensee requested relief for four additional modifications to be made in the RN system. Eight welded butterfly valves will be replaced with flange end connection valves, four each in the Containment Spray and Component Cooling Systems. Relief from the hydrostatic test requirements was requested for all welds associated with the valves being replaced. The welds connect new flanges to existing pipe. The four modifications and their planned dates for implementation are:

- (a) NSM MG-12107, Rev. 0 February 1, 1990
- (b)
- NSM MG-22107, Rev. 0 August 1, 1989 NSM MG-12129, Rev. 0 February 1, 1991
- (d) NSM MG-22129, Rev. 0 January 1, 1991

NSM MG-12107, Rev. O will replace Unit 1 valves 1RN-134A and 1RN-235B and NSM MG-22107, Rev. O will replace corresponding Unit 2 valves 2RN-134A and 2RN-235B. These four valves provide inlet isolation to the four Containment Spray System heat exchangers. NSM MG-12129, Rev. 0 will replace Unit 1 valves 1RN-86A and 1RN-1875 and NSM MG-22129, Rev. 0 will replace corresponding Unit 2 valves 2RN-86A and 2RN-187B. These four valves provide inlet isolation to the KC System heat exchangers.

The modifications for which relief has been requested will be made during refueling outages. The RN system provides coolant for the Residual Heat Removal and Spent Fuel Cooling Systems, both of which are needed during the outage. During the cutage, the supply and discharge header for either train can be drained and available for work for six days on Unit 1 and ten days on Unit 2. Unit 1 is more restricted because the control room ventilation and chilled water system discharge to the Unit 1 discharge header only. Thus, when this header is drained, these systems are inoperable, which places Unit 2 in a seven day operability constraint in compliance with Technical Specification 3.7.6. These short time periods restrict the allowable time to that required for the modifications. A hydrostatic test is impractical and would add days to the outage schedule.

Since the isolation valves on the system are 36-in. butterfly valves, the valves would leak at hydrostatic test pressure. To replace the valves would involve a major undertaking. The licensee stated that the additional manpower, planning, execution expense, and burden required to perform the test would not provide a commensurate increase in operational quality.

In lieu of hydrostatic testing the licensee proposes that the welds be subjected to a liquid penetrant or magnetic particle examination on the root pass and the final welding pass. An inservice leak test at system pressure and temperature would also be made on the welds involved. The licensee believes that the alternative testing that is planned is adequate to ensure safe and consistent reliability of the system.

## 3.0 EVALUATION

We have reviewed the licensee's submittals including drawings and descriptions of the modifications. We concur with the licensee that the ASME Code requirements of Article IWA-4400 and Article IWD-5000 are impractical to perform on the modifications at the McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, and that the alternate testing provides an equivalent level of confidence in system integrity. We also find that due to design contraints, compliance with the Code would result in a burden on the licensee.

## 4.0 CONCLUSION

We conclude from our evaluations of the information submitted by the licensee in support of Relief Request Nos. 89-02 and 88-05 that the Section XI ASME Code requirements of Article IWA-4400 and Article IWD-5000 are impractical for McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2. The alternative weld examinations and inservice leak tests proposed in lieu of the ASME Code requirements will ensure acceptable levels of inservice structural integrity for the RN system.

Accordingly, relief from the hydrostatic test requirements is granted as requested, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i). This relief is authorized by law and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security and is otherwise in the public interest giving due consideration to the burden upon the licensee that could result if the requirements were imposed on the facility.

Principal Contributor: D. Hood, PD#II-3/DRP-1/II

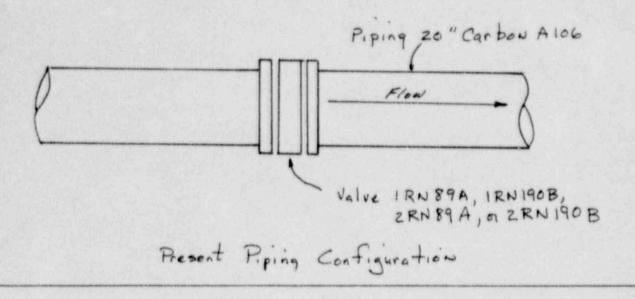
F. Litton, EMEB/DEST

Dated: June 29, 1989

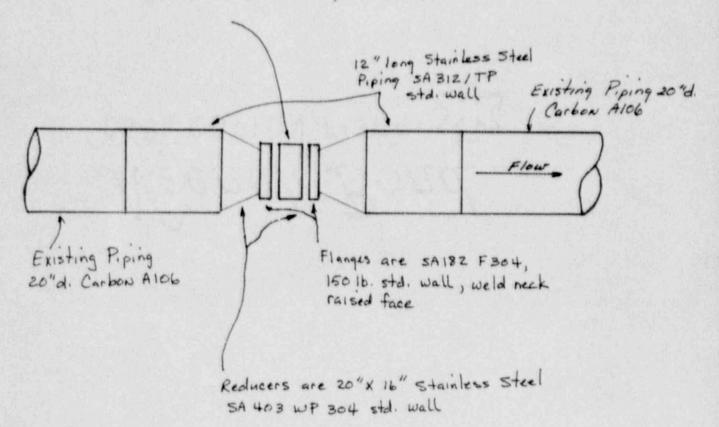
Ú.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk January 22, 1990

Attachment No. 3

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk January 22, 1990 ATTACHMENT NO. 3



New values are 16" of Stainless Steel construction, for IRN89A, IRN 190B, ZRN89A, and ZRN 190B



Piping Configuration After Implementation of MG-12243 and MG 22243 Modifications