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7 282 Almaden Boulevard
8 San Jose, California

9 Friday, July 30, 1982

10 The ACRS Fluid Dynamics Subcommittee Meeting
11 of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards was
12 convened at 8:30 a.m.

13 PRESENT FOR THE ACRS:

14 M. PLESSET, Chairman
15 H. ETHERINGTON, Member
16 J. EBERSOLE, Member
17 J. RAY, Member
18 P. BOEHNERT, Staff
19 K. GARLID, Consultant
20 J. CATTON, Consultant
21 V. SCHROCK, Consultant
22 S. BUSH, Consultant
23 Z. ZUDANS, Consultant

24 ALSO PRESENT:

25 Present for the NRC:
Mr. Fields
Mr. Kudrick
Dr. Butler

Present for the Industry:
Mr. Townsend
Mr. Davis
Dr. Sherwood
Mr. Smith
Mr. Cameron
Mr. Trickovic
Mr. Kochis

Present for the Industry: (Continued)

Mr. Richardson

Mr. McGaughy

Mr. Humphrey

Mr. Kant

Mr. Pender

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P R O C E E D I N G S

8:35 a.m.

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3 DR. PLESSET: Let's reconvene and continue with
4 our agenda and I think we will call first on General
5 Electric for a presentation on GESSAR II/STRIDE Containment
6 Design and I think Mr. Cameron is going to speak.

7 Mr. Cameron, would you begin?

8 MR. CAMERON: Good morning. I'm Charles
9 Cameron with General Electric, Safety and Licensing
10 Operation and we're going to discuss STRIDE today.

11 What I'm going to do is provide a brief
12 description of what the STRIDE and the GESSAR programs
13 are all about and then we'll get right into Hal Townsend
14 who will discuss the specific action plan for some of
15 these items.

16 (Slide Presentation)

17 The first goal is to define what STRIDE and
18 GESSAR are. They are terms that were used yesterday
19 and will be used at length today and it's good for
20 everybody to understand what's what.

21 STRIDE is the Standard Reactor Island Design.
22 It's an acronym based on some of those front letters
23 and other terminology you'll hear will be Nuclear
24 Island. Later in the evolution of the design we came
25 up with a little bit more generic terminology which

1 is Nuclear Island, but those are synonymous -- the
2 Reactor Island Design and Nuclear Island are the same.

3 What it is just basically the detailed design
4 for TVA, the BWR6 and Mark III containment as designed
5 by GE and C.F. Braun. The scope of it -- I'll jump to
6 the end of this slide first -- responsibilities being so
7 I can define that -- G.E. basically defining the design
8 basis and the licensing, providing the licensing of the
9 STRIDE package. C.F. Braun has been our architect
10 engineer for the detailed design and construction of
11 the STRIDE, and TVA the utility was responsible for the
12 overall construction and the BOP design.

13 The scope of the STRIDE -- a picture here --
14 the scope basically being all of those systems and
15 structures that were required or that are related, that
16 are safety related, excuse me, and those include the
17 reactor building. Of course, they include the NSSS which
18 is our normal scope of supply, the reactor building which
19 is the containment, fuel building, diesel generator
20 building, auxiliary building, radwaste building and
21 control building, with the BOP being defined as all other,
22 as the turbine building and the others.

23 So GESSAR II, which is the next slide,
24 GESSAR II is the licensing document for this STRIDE scope,
25 STRIDE being our extended scope of supply for TVA.

1 Now, a GESSAR program, GESSAR standing for
2 G.E. Standard and Safety Analysis Report, GESSAR is
3 just basically the FSAR or the input that GE would provide
4 on the STRIDE scope for an FSAR to be used by TVA or
5 whoever and the responsibilities in this case are still
6 G.E. and C.F. Braun, C.F. Braun being responsible now
7 for the detailed design of the safety systems and structures
8 that are sufficient for the licensing of GESSAR.
9 That's a little bit smaller scope than if you were
10 going to provide construction drawings as they originally
11 were and have.

12 Basically, we're still on -- we're on schedule
13 here for GESSAR where we've had it docketed by the NRC
14 in February of 1982 as you can see and GESSAR submittals
15 began in February and are continuing through the year,
16 the initial submittals being up through May. We've
17 been meeting with the NRC Staff members since March
18 and will probably go through later in the year and the
19 target is to have the final design approval which is
20 what a standard safety analysis gets at the end, in
21 April of 1983.

22 So just as a summary, the last little slide
23 is just showing you that the GESSAR is just -- even
24 though the terms are somewhat synonymous, the STRIDE
25 is the Standard Reactor Island Design which does include

1 construction drawings, but the GESSAR is just the
2 licensing vehicle for that scope of supply from G.E.
3 And since that scope of supply does include the containment
4 and containment related systems, that's why we're going
5 to give this presentation.

6 Now with that, I'll introduce Hal Townsend
7 who will go through our detailed action plan on the STRIDE.

8 MR. TOWNSEND: Good morning. Today I was going
9 to talk about the action plan for the GESSAR design and
10 how that fits in with the Grand Gulf responses.

11 (Slide Presentation)

12 First, let me start by trying to categorize
13 the various issues that we've heard about yesterday into
14 five main categories and our intent on GESSAR is to
15 respond to those issues that are not covered by Grand
16 Gulf. There are a large number of the issues that are
17 generic in nature on Grand Gulf and the Grand Gulf plant
18 is either typical or bounding of the other -- of GESSAR
19 and in fact most the other plants and so we've identified
20 Category 1 here as those issues where the Grand Gulf
21 results will be representative or bounding and our intent
22 is to confirm that indeed that is the case for GESSAR
23 and then either resubmit or just reference the Grand Gulf
24 responses in that first category.

25 The second category would be similar responses to

1 the Grand Gulf but where we would redo analyses and
2 use GESSAR specific input numbers in those analyses to
3 give specific GESSAR responses. Again, that's a rather
4 large block of responses and in fact, the first two
5 cover most of the actions that will be taken in the
6 program.

7 Category 3 is the case where the GESSAR actions
8 will be somewhat different than Grand Gulf, either that
9 we're trying to take a different approach because of
10 things Grand Gulf has done, or whether Grand Gulf --
11 the issues are not the same for the two plants or the
12 plants differ enough where that's not an issue.

13 Category 4 is issues that have been resolved
14 for Grand Gulf and may not be resolved for GESSAR.
15 The classic example in this case is the issues about
16 containment vacuum breakers where Grand Gulf concrete
17 containment -- they don't use vacuum breakers in the
18 steel containment of GESSAR, does have vacuum breakers.

19 Category 4 is the category where these
20 have been resolved for GESSAR and they also have been
21 resolved for Grand Gulf or they may be specific to
22 GESSAR and they're not applicable to -- wait a minute.
23 I said it backwards. They may be specific to Grand
24 Gulf and they're not applicable to GESSAR so we've
25 categorized these into five different areas and what I

1 will do is emphasize areas 3 and 4 where these are
2 the places where we deviate from the Grand Gulf design.

3 DR. ZUDANS: These classification numbers are
4 the same as for Grand Gulf, right?

5 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, I believe there's one to one
6 correspondence on these numbers.

7 DR. ZUDANS: One to one.

8 DR. ETHERINGTON: Do you distinguish containment
9 between GESSAR and GESSAR II in this --

10 MR. TOWNSEND: No, we do not.

11 This would be GESSAR II for all practical purposes.

12 Okay, let me go through those then one by one
13 starting -- my intent here is to cover categories 3 and
14 4 where that is the place where we're doing unique work.
15 As I said, categories 1 and 2 are primarily Me Too (ph)
16 responses to the Grand Gulf response.

17 Okay, the first item is the annular sleeve
18 around the SRV discharge lines and I've indicated here
19 on the slide that Grand Gulf is pursuing a seal of that
20 annulus. I think you heard yesterday that they have not
21 formally made that decision yet and in fact, if they
22 don't go with the seal, they will end up with a program
23 very similar to what we intend to do on the generic
24 plant. But basically the approach is to look at the
25 chugging and seal loads through the main vents and attempt

1 to estimate what those loads will be in the seal annuluses.
2 I think you heard some numbers yesterday that I think these
3 are on the order of 2% or 3% and if we can show that
4 indeed these loads are small on the order of 20% of the
5 main vent loading, we will document that and in the
6 program -- if not, we will take our best estimates of
7 the load and do the structural evaluation and attempt
8 to show that the responses are negligible. Again, if
9 we're unsuccessful with that, we will ultimately have to
10 go to some kind of a seal. We think that the success
11 path of showing that the loads are negligible is highly
12 likely. Yes?

13 DR. ZUDANS: Have you any idea how you plan to
14 generate this information on loads coming from the
15 annulus?

16 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes. We're primarily going to
17 go back -- obviously we have a problem. We don't have
18 annular data. But we do have a substantial block of
19 data particularly from our Mark II test programs on
20 small diameter discharges with different vent lengths.
21 These are from straight pipes. And we're going to review
22 that data. One of the issues here is amplification of
23 the signals of the pressure signals due to resonance
24 in the line. We think we can show by reviewing the data
25 we have for circular geometries that indeed, that's not the

1 case, and we will try to do that. I think you heard
2 a lot of talk yesterday about the total size of these
3 sources relative to the main vent which I think gives you
4 a comfortable feeling that they're going to be somewhat
5 smaller. And we will try to use the spatial attenuation
6 characteristics of the pool to show that the loads on
7 the walls are small. Again, we can show that that's
8 appropriate purely from potential flow or from our
9 experimental data from the Mark II program. That's clear.

10 DR. ZUDANS: Let's see. You said that you
11 do have a large number of small diameter tests, but
12 do you think that the concept of equivalent hydraulic
13 diameter would work for this dynamic process?

14 MR. TOWNSEND: I think if anything it's very
15 conservative. I think phenomenologically what I really
16 think happens with an annular geometry is that you
17 don't grow single bubbles in an annular shape. You tend
18 to have the annulus start to form and break into small
19 bubbles around that annular ring and these bubbles will
20 break up and be de-synchronized and probably you'll get
21 an awful lot of cancellation around that ring and
22 I really expect that if we had the test data that these
23 things would be completely negligible.

24 DR. ZUDANS: But you also have a potential
25 of having bubbles from one side of that -- let's say it's

1 36" long, 3/8" wide --

2 MR. TOWNSEND: That's true.

3 DR. ZUDANS: You can have it on one side and
4 condensation there and that will produce asymmetric
5 loadings which you would not get in a single pipe diameter
6 geometry.

7 MR. TOWNSEND: Well, even that's not quite
8 true.

9 DR. PLESSET: You get asymmetric loads in a
10 single pipe, too.

11 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

12 DR. PLESSET: Pretty big ones.

13 MR. TOWNSEND: In fact, in the Mark II program
14 that's one of the very large load definitions. This is a
15 lateral load on the side of the downcomers due to the
16 asymmetry of the bubble formation.

17 DR. ZUDANS: So that phenomenon is not --

18 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, I just think that what
19 really happens is, in the annular geometry you get smaller
20 bubbles.

21 The second issue is 2.2 which is the continuation
22 of that same point. This is specifically that the
23 condensation and chugging portion of that -- and we,
24 and the loading on the side of the downcomers, we intend
25 to use the Mark II data and try to adjust that down for the

1 smaller hydraulic diameters and do a static load
2 evaluation on the structures.

3 DR. EBERSOLE: May I ask a question about that?
4 I don't understand what difference it would make if it
5 failed anyway. It's not in use. It may well be.

6 MR. TOWNSEND: Well, the concern is it's a
7 potential by-pass. I think the penetration through the
8 wall is very near the pool surface.

9 DR. EBERSOLE: You're actually concerned with
10 a failure of the sleeve.

11 MR. TOWNSEND: Well, that's the concern that was
12 raised. No, I'm not concerned about that.

13 DR. EBERSOLE: This doesn't say sleeve. It
14 says line.

15 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay, maybe I'm getting you
16 confused here. There's two parts to that. Okay. This
17 is the line.

18 DR. EBERSOLE: So what's the line for?

19 MR. TOWNSEND: Well, the line is the SRV discharge.

20 DR. EBERSOLE: So it's not in use at this --

21 MR. TOWNSEND: It could be in use during the
22 blowdown. You have simultaneous SRV discharge and LOCA
23 loads.

24 DR. EBERSOLE: But that was the whole purpose
25 of this design, was to make it's failure inconsequential

1 anyway, wasn't it?

2 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, yes. If the line fails,
3 you still are discharging steam into the pool.

4 DR. EBERSOLE: That's why you went to this
5 instead of Mark I, too?

6 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

7 DR. EBERSOLE: But here you're having to fix it.
8 So it did count.

9 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

10 DR. EBERSOLE: Why is that?

11 MR. TOWNSEND: Well, I don't think it needs to
12 be fixed. I think I told you yesterday I thought these
13 things were very conservative.

14 DR. EBERSOLE: Now you make me wonder if you've
15 really fixed it.

16 MR. TOWNSEND: If you postulated you broke the
17 line and you completely blew the 10" pipe out of that
18 sleeve, then you've got a fairly large discharge into
19 the pool.

20 DR. CATTON: You have another vent.

21 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes. It's an undefined load.
22 That's the kind of thing we're into here. I don't think
23 it's a serious concern but we're going to try to --

24 DR. EBERSOLE: Well, put it this way --

25 MR. TOWNSEND: Show that the loads on the line

1 are negligible.

2 DR. EBERSOLE: Let me put it this way. Whereas,
3 Mark I and II, you had better never fail a downcomer
4 from this or these.

5 MR. TOWNSEND: That's right.

6 DR. EBERSOLE: I thought in this one you could.

7 MR. TOWNSEND: Oh, I think we can.

8 DR. CATTON: But you don't want to.

9 DR. EBERSOLE: No, you don't want to but then
10 the odds --

11 MR. TOWNSEND: I think we probably could and
12 not have a serious event. You know, we're discharging the
13 water into the pool. I can be a little diabolical here
14 and fail both the line and the sleeve which is the next
15 issue, and then I've got a problem because I've got a
16 discharge near the surface.

17 DR. EBERSOLE: Right, but I thought you'd
18 structurally fixed that so that --

19 MR. TOWNSEND: Well, you've got the piping
20 anchored and you've got this 7 foot long cantilever that's
21 a schedule 80 pipe and a 12" schedule 80 pipe, that's
22 a pretty heavy piece of equipment.

23 DR. BUSH: If I were going to expect this to
24 fail, I would be more worried about cavitation, I
25 think, than I would resonance phenomena. Not that I

1 expect it to fail.

2 MR. TOWNSEND: Cavitation of what? Because
3 the bubble collapsed?

4 DR. BUSH: The bubble collapsed. We have
5 plenty of cases of failures, usually not in the straight
6 geometries where they'll chew through in fairly short order.
7 That's what I would be worried about if you operated
8 this thing for very long.

9 MR. TOWNSEND: Even from a cavitation point of
10 view, I don't think you're going to have in the few
11 minutes that this thing can blow that you're going to --

12 DR. BUSH: I agree. It would have to be
13 a repetitive type phenomena. As I say, I'm not really
14 concerned but I think I would be worried more about
15 cavitation than I would resonance.

16 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, okay, so that's the
17 line. This is the same, essentially the same response
18 for the sleeve. I don't know that we need to go through
19 that in any detail. But again, we're trying to
20 estimate the loads in that annulus and apply them to
21 both the sleeve and the line to show that the designs
22 are strong enough to accommodate anything we can conjure
23 up.

24 This is the issue of stratification in the
25 pool, due to the arrangement of the discharge piping.

1 Our arrangement of causing both RHR systems
2 to circulate in the same direction is quite similar
3 to Kuo-Sheng's and our intent is just to document the
4 stratification that wasn't there in the Kuo-Sheng tests
5 and show that that's small -- I think I told you yesterday
6 it was on the order of 9° and we don't really think there's
7 an issue here at all.

8 DR. BUSH: Could I ask in the general sense,
9 I asked the question yesterday about instrumentation
10 on plants other than Kuo-Sheng and not just for temperature
11 but other things. Are there -- is there an intent to
12 instrument any of the Mark IIIs that are coming up,
13 and I'm thinking of both, not just temperature gradients
14 but pressure, etc.?

15 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, are you talking about wall
16 pressures in the suppression pool?

17 DR. BUSH: I'm talking about wall pressures
18 or I'm talking about deflections of piping, things of
19 that nature.

20 MR. TOWNSEND: I believe Grand Gulf has quite
21 a set of instrumentation for that.

22 MR. RICHARDSON: This is John Richardson from
23 Mississippi Power and Light. Grand Gulf will be running
24 an in-plant, SRV in-plant test program similar to Kuo-Sheng
25 but not as many tests as a result of the Kuo-Sheng testing.

1 The air pressure sensors, accelerometers and temperature
2 monitors to measure, to accumulate some of the data --

3 DR. BUSH: Of course, I was thinking of a little
4 more than just SRV loads. I was thinking of the possibility
5 of some retained instruments, not safety grade -- let me
6 hasten to indicate so that you don't get tied to that
7 box, but in the context of seeing whether the RHR response
8 was as anticipated. In otherwords, did it fall comfortably
9 within the boundary?

10 MR. TOWNSEND: Are you talking about flow
11 capability and that kind of thing?

12 DR. BUSH: I'm thinking more of unexpected
13 amplitudes on the piping, things of that nature. Are they
14 comfortably within that because -- of course this one
15 is not going to be necessarily representative of the
16 STRIDE design because I think the characteristics of the
17 containment may be a very important parameter. Maybe
18 I'll hear something of that from Clinton or somebody else.

19 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, I can't answer that on a
20 generic basis.

21 DR. BUSH: I haven't looked at the details of
22 the programs in this instance and so I confess ignorance
23 as to just exactly what you're going to do.

24 MR. TOWNSEND: I might say these were measured
25 at Kuo-Sheng.

1 DR. BUSH: Yes, I've looked at some of those.

2 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay, the question of the suppression
3 pool temperature sensors. Again, there are several
4 things that we have done and can do here, I might say
5 as far as the operator not knowing what's going on as
6 far as suppression pool temperature. He does have
7 alarms in the control room to tell him when sensors are
8 uncovered. He can use the RHR system to reestablish
9 level and well, I think the key thing here is probably
10 the 4th issue -- is we are in the process of revising the
11 emergency procedures as Grand Gulf is doing so that the
12 operator is instructed to use the instruments that
13 are underneath the water level and not rely on instruments
14 that may be above the water. Again, the same kind of
15 argument that I think we got into yesterday about averaging
16 of the sensors, the thermo-couples in the suppression pool.
17 There is a string down four feet below the pool surface
18 that's available to the operator.

19 DR. BUSH: You know, I can't understand,
20 unless it's buried in here, it would be the simplest
21 thing imagineable to instruct the computer essentially
22 to read off a set of thermo-couples at each depth and
23 actually display this on the screen and you would know
24 exactly where you stand on that situation, even on height
25 matters.

1 MR. TOWNSEND: That is how it's done. That is
2 how it's done, by computer, yes.

3 DR. BUSH: That's the way I think it should be
4 done.

5 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes. I think Dr. Catton was
6 concerned about the averaging yesterday by hand and that
7 is done by computer.

8 DR. CATTON: It's only done by computer as long
9 as those top ones are under water.

10 MR. TOWNSEND: No, I think your system actually
11 recognizes which sensors are under water.

12 DR. CATTON: Oh, okay, if you'd said that
13 yesterday I would have been satisfied.

14 DR. EBERSOLE: May I ask you a question about
15 the operator procedures? In the event of a large LOCA
16 your low pressure flooding system is initially started
17 at full reflood to the reactor vessel, right?

18 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

19 DR. EBERSOLE: All right, if you find that this
20 is a much smaller break than this, you ultimately find
21 out that you've got to divide the flow to get pool cooling,
22 because you don't get enough flow out of the break to
23 do a full mass flow for pool cooling.

24 MR. TOWNSEND: You have three systems, three
25 RHR systems and you assume one fails. You dedicate one to

1 the reactor and one to the suppression pool, of the two
2 remaining.

3 DR. EBERSOLE: Oh, you selectively put one then--
4 you don't put full flow to all of them until --

5 MR. TOWNSEND: Well, you initially start to.

6 DR. EBERSOLE: Well, I want to start at that
7 point.

8 MR. TOWNSEND: You initially start --

9 DR. EBERSOLE: I think it's after that for
10 a small break, require a division of flow to maintain
11 full coverage and then the suppressive mass flow for the
12 pool cooling?

13 MR. TOWNSEND: The first priority is to cool
14 the core.

15 DR. EBERSOLE: Right and after that --

16 MR. TOWNSEND: At the restore level. Once you've
17 got the level restored, then you're free to divert --

18 DR. EBERSOLE: What I wanted you to maybe just
19 comment on is the complexity or lack of it, of metering
20 the flow properly to the core versus the pool cooling
21 process. Do you do this by valve throttling? Do you
22 divide up flows a portion of which goes to the core
23 and a portion to the pool?

24 MR. TOWNSEND: No, it's either on or off.

25 DR. EBERSOLE: Oh, you don't have modulation

1 valves?

2 MR. TOWNSEND: No, no, it does not modulate.
3 That's right, isn't it John?

4 MR. RICHARDSON: I'm not sure what the question
5 is.

6 DR. EBERSOLE: The modulate --

7 MR. RICHARDSON: You use the same system to go
8 to the core and the pool.

9 DR. EBERSOLE: Do you do any valve modulation?
10 That's what I'm getting at.

11 MR. TOWNSEND: No. You don't throttle the
12 flow, the partial flow into the RHR --

13 DR. EBERSOLE: It's either off or on.

14 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

15 DR. EBERSOLE: You have no valve modulation
16 problems in this design, is that right?

17 MR. RICHARDSON: No.

18 DR. EBERSOLE: Thank you.

19 MR. TOWNSEND: And for smaller breaks you
20 probably are on the, either the RIKCI (ph) system or
21 the HPCS.

22 DR. EBERSOLE: Then if I look at your design,
23 I will find no valves which are not committed to go
24 full open or full shut in this RHR system? Is that
25 correct?

1 MR. TOWNSEND: That's right.

2 MR. RICHARDSON: There are some valves that
3 are throttle valves in the whole system.

4 DR. EBERSOLE: Well, I'm talking about the RHR
5 low pressure flooding and core cooling.

6 MR. TOWNSEND: No.

7 DR. EBERSOLE: That's either open or shut.

8 MR. RICHARDSON: For the LPCI (ph) injection
9 that's just open and shut.

10 DR. EBERSOLE: Okay, thank you.

11 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay, this is Category 4 issues
12 which is I believe, the things that don't apply to MP&L.

13 The first question was the vent area above
14 the suppression pool, and in fact above the HCU floor
15 and a question that was raised, is there a significant
16 pressure drop at that elevation?

17 We have specified a minimum open area at
18 each of these floors to be some 1500 square feet and
19 have shown in the past that indeed on GESSAR that this
20 area is achieved at all floors and we'll document that
21 or give the references in Appendix 3D. That one is
22 really a non-issue at this point.

23 Okay, earlier General Electric had recommended
24 that there was an interlock between the containment
25 spray and the hydrogen recombiners. We're in the normal

4
1 design change process on this to remove that interlock
2 and I think that's just a matter of proceeding with the
3 work we have ongoing to straighten the logic of that
4 system out. Again, that's -- that becomes a non-issue.

5 Okay, the upper pool dump on small breaks.
6 Originally in the logic of our solid state plants, this
7 was a -- there was no seal in on that logic to assure
8 that for small breaks that we would get a dump. Again,
9 this is an issue that we have under review and we're
10 in the process of making that modification.

11 Okay, we have a 90 second delay on the timers
12 for the containment sprays to assure that the two sprays
13 didn't come on simultaneously. The concern with this
14 was negative pressures in the containment if inadvertently
15 you did have both sprays come on simultaneously. We will
16 submit a write-up on this to show that in GESSAR the
17 negative pressure does not reach the negative design
18 capability of the containment shell even if both loops
19 do come on simultaneously. So again, we have done this
20 analysis already and with 0.8 PSI capability, the
21 containment and simultaneous spray actuation, we only
22 drop the pressure about 0.2 PSI so we have a substantial
23 margin here.

24 DR. CATTON: How is the negative pressure
25 transient supposed to aggravate temperature stratification?

1 Does that negative pressure decrease in pressure above the
2 suppression pool?

3 MR. TOWNSEND: No, it's -- this is -- the
4 stratification part of that is when you -- because you
5 have floors like the HCU floor and the steam tunnel above
6 the pool, you're raining uniformly down from the spray
7 system.

8 DR. CATTON: Isn't that cold water?

9 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, it's cold water but it's
10 dropping into specific parts of the pool so there are
11 regions where there is no water falling directly on the
12 surface of the pool. Now, you're taking suction out
13 of the pools at the --

14 DR. CATTON: If you put cold water on the top
15 of your pool, that's going to cause a decrease in
16 the stratification, not increase it.

17 MR. TOWNSEND: Well, except -- it's a concern.
18 I'm decreasing it over here but I've still got a hot
19 region here. If you believe that the pool does not
20 mix, then you've got a problem.

21 DR. CATTON: Well, when there's lack of mixing
22 in the pool, it's because it's hotter above than it is
23 below, not in a horizontal direction.

24 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, I agree. That's kind of a
25 non-issue.

1 DR. CATTON: I think you're right.

2 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay, this is -- okay again,
3 this has to do with the spray initiation in the --
4 primarily an inadvertent spray in the containment. You
5 drop the pressure slightly in the containment and you're
6 drawing air in through the containment vacuum breakers
7 which take their suction in the shield building. We've
8 calculated negative pressure in that building to be
9 somewhere between 2 and 3 PSI and the building capability
10 is about three, and to assure that we really don't
11 have a problem with that building, we're adding a vent
12 on the shield building to ensure that we do have suction.
13 This is one of the things that evolved in the design.
14 We originally started out with this system depending on
15 the leakage of the shield building and as we've progressed
16 to the design, we've tightened the building up to the
17 point that you potentially have this problem with pulling
18 a vacuum because you haven't got enough leakage through the
19 building so we're going to put an actual vent on the
20 building itself.

21 DR. EBERSOLE: Does this mean you're going to
22 have to put reverse flow protection for the stand-by gas
23 treatment clean up for that annulus flow?

24 MR. TOWNSEND: No, I don't think so.

25 DR. EBERSOLE: Won't you have a tremendous reverse

1 flow through the filtration system? Or you do have
2 a filtration system?

3 MR. TOWNSEND: No, the pump head on that
4 stand-by gas treatment system I think is enough to pump
5 through.

6 DR. EBERSOLE: Keep it going forward?

7 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, I believe that's true.

8 DR. EBERSOLE: Oh, is that so. 2 PSI. I
9 would be surprised.

10 MR. TOWNSEND: I would have to look at it. I
11 think it is, though.

12 DR. BUSH: What type of valving do you use
13 on your containment sprays, do you know?

14 MR. TOWNSEND: Valving on the spray itself?

15 DR. BUSH: Yes, that controls the on-off, the
16 actuation of the sprays. Not the electrical aspect, the
17 valving type. Or hadn't you ever made a decision on this?

18 MR. TOWNSEND: I'm afraid I don't know that
19 detail. It's an open and closed valve -- it's not
20 a modulating valve.

21 DR. BUSH: No, I recognize that.

22 MR. TOWNSEND: And I don't know the specific
23 type of valve that's used there.

24 DR. BUSH: The reason I ask is --

25 MR. TOWNSEND: Grand Gulf uses a gate.

1 DR. BUSH: Oh, it's a simple gate valve?

2 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

3 DR. BUSH: That solves my problem. Some of the
4 more complex ones I know have had a very poor reliability
5 record so far as actuation and I just wondered if you
6 were using that type.

7 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay, the last issue that we'll
8 be dealing with specifically is the debris question which
9 we talked about yesterday.

10 Again, GESSAR uses mirror type insulation and
11 I think I told you yesterday we had done a study on the
12 10% blockage of the strainers. We intend to resubmit that
13 to the NRC as a demonstration that we have enough
14 capability with our assumed 50% blockage in the strainer
15 design for the RHR's to handle this problem.

16 You specifically asked me a question yesterday,
17 Dr. Ebersole, about the --

18 DR. EBERSOLE: Johnson seals.

19 MR. TOWNSEND: The filtering of the pumps.
20 I tried to check on that this morning and I haven't got
21 a complete answer for you but the hole size in the strainers
22 are specified as 3/32ds of an inch to prevent plugging of
23 cyclone separators that are on each pump to -- there's
24 a bleed flow off the discharge of the pump through a
25 cyclone --

1 DR. EBERSOLE: You still have --

2 MR. TOWNSEND: To heat the seals.

3 DR. EBERSOLE: You still have cyclone or
4 hydroclones?

5 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

6 DR. EBERSOLE: There's always a question whether
7 these things are separating in the right direction. I'm
8 not so sure but what the sedimentation that you're trying
9 to prevent will not be lighter than water rather than
10 heavier. The logic of that was always rather tenuous
11 and I think it would bear re-looking. Certainly if you
12 had light debris or one that approximated a specific
13 area 1, these things would do no good at all.

14 MR. TOWNSEND: Of course, you know we're talking
15 about metallic insulation here.

16 DR. EBERSOLE: I understand, but there's a lot
17 of crud that comes off like paint and other stuff and there
18 may still be some plants that have the old silkey (ph)
19 and so the essence of the problem was the filters and seals
20 turn out to be the so-called final filters like the gas
21 pumps and they tend to be the residence, the terminal
22 residence of whatever fine crud there is to their own
23 detriment and probable failure.

24 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes. Okay, one other slide
25 on the schedules of these things. We intend to have an

1 action plan into the NRC by the first week in September
2 for the final resolution of this block of work and it
3 will in general follow the work that we're doing for
4 Grand Gulf as a second follow-on block of work just from
5 scheduling our own manpower.

6 Can I answer any more questions for you this
7 morning?

8 DR. PLESSET: Oh yes, Jack?

9 MR. KUDRICK: We were just going through very
10 quickly the various issues that we thought would be
11 addressed by GESSAR and one of them we didn't hear and
12 we were wondering whether it was inadvertent or not, and
13 that was the containment air monitoring systems applied for
14 hydrogen concentration measurements at 6.4. I was wondering
15 if that was just inadvertently left out or --

16 MR. TOWNSEND: I have to admit I don't know
17 where that one is, Jack. Yes, that's inadvertent.

18 MR. KUDRICK: That would be part of your response
19 normally?

20 MR. TOWNSEND: I have to tell you I don't even
21 know what we're doing on that one. I didn't think it was
22 much of an issue but I'll have to find out.

23 MR. KUDRICK: I think it's very specifically --

24 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, I remember the question
25 in the list and I don't know the response on that one.

1 I also have here -- I didn't bring a flimsy but
2 I have the list of the nine issues I told you yesterday
3 that we had previously under review and I'll leave you copies
4 of that and work is ongoing on those nine.

5 DR. PLESSET: Mr. Davis, you have --

6 MR. DAVIS: We're ready for -- we're ready to
7 go into the interface discussion now.

8 DR. PLESSET: Fine, fine, why don't we do that.

9 MR. DAVIS: Mr. Al Smith, Project Manager of
10 Grand Gulf.

11 MR. SMITH: My name is Allen Smith from the
12 General Electric Company. I'd like to address this
13 morning with you the NSSS architect engineering interface.
14 In some cases this is a general presentation and in all
15 cases it's directly applicable to the Grand Gulf Project
16 and I'll try to indicate that for you as I go through
17 this.

18 (Slide Presentation)

19 There is a continuous process of the dissemination
20 and communication of interface information between G.E.,
21 it's architect engineer and our utility customers. It
22 begins basically with our proposal and our contract
23 point in the time of the evolution of the job through
24 commercial operation, so it's something that continues over
25 the entire process of the job. On Grand Gulf, for example,

2
1 that process has been ongoing for some ten years.

2 The nature of the interface information varies
3 from mandatory requirements, recommendations and informal
4 information.

5 What does it include? It includes all things
6 from nuclear safety, personnel safety, plant operability,
7 warranty considerations and naturally contract considerations.

8 I'd like to lead you through the G.E. interface
9 documentation trail that we have. We have two basic
10 categories, specifications and design drawings and other
11 software and I think for the purposes of simplification
12 of discussion that we can highlight ourselves into the
13 specification area because it has most of our information.

14 In our specifications area, we have three
15 basic -- a series of documentation that I refer to as
16 A62, A42, and A22 series which are internal numbering
17 systems in the General Electric scheme of things.

18 The first series is entitled Plant Requirements.
19 It is a General Electric to the architect engineering
20 community type of document. It has our mandatory balance
21 of plant requirements within it and I'll give you some
22 samples of that in a moment.

23 Our next series, our A42 series contains
24 reports and data sheets. Again it's General Electric to the
25 architect engineering community. It has general information

1 in it and in some cases specific design information.

2 The next category is the A22 series which
3 contains applications engineering information. Again,
4 it's a General Electric to architect engineering kind of
5 document. It has in it recommendations and informal
6 kinds of information.

7 We have then another category of specifications
8 which apply to all of the systems. This is under the NSS
9 systems. Things like the ECCS systems, the feedwater
10 control systems and so forth and inherent in that documenta-
11 tion from G.E. to the architect engineer are our mandatory
12 requirements, criteria, general information and recommenda-
13 tion.

14 And then finally, of course we have design
15 drawings and other software which additionally put forth
16 requirements.

17 I'd like to go through with you some of the
18 Grand Gulf Project containment related documentation. This
19 is not an exhaustive list of all of our documentation but
20 it is containment related since that's an issue that we're
21 discussing here today.

22 In the A62 series of documentation we have
23 containment isolation diagrams which contain the
24 information required from a containment isolation view-
25 point. We have the reactor containment requirements

1 which in fact contain information, general information
2 such as what must the containment do, how much did it
3 function to perform the requirements. It refers us to
4 mass energy information which occurs in a different
5 document. It describes what the containment must do
6 in the case of a DBA or other break incidents such as
7 the smaller breaks and also hydrogen control function
8 information.

9 The seismic design for NSS equipment is
10 self-explanatory. That's the design capability of the
11 NSSS equipment and requirements which the architect
12 engineer must meet in order to provide the integrity
13 for our equipment.

14 Another specification is the drywell cooling
15 loads. This provides various heating loads from our
16 equipment so that the AE can of course, design it's
17 cooling system to handle this.

18 The next one is the BWR equipment environmental
19 interface information. This has to do with the
20 requirements for G.E.'s equipment to exist in certain
21 portions of the containment and again the AE must design
22 his system so that he can accommodate this in certain
23 areas of the containment.

24 The suppression pool make up system requirements
25 do specify any specific requirements. For example, on upper

1 pool dump. The structural and mechanical NSS loading
2 criteria -- this provides information on our piping
3 systems -- what are the loads and acceptance criteria
4 for piping, piping suspension, reactor pressure vessel
5 support, our CRD housings, valves, pumps, etc., and
6 electrical items and instrumentation. And finally, our
7 reactor systems data drawing which includes detailed
8 information on mass energy available for release,
9 mass energy that is in fact released during the early
10 portion of a break and it also includes the masses of
11 steel and other materials in containment so that the
12 architect engineer can do subsequent calculations on
13 the containment response as an incident might progress.

14 In the A62 series, we have specifically with
15 respect to Grand Gulf in the containment area, several
16 containment loads reports -- so-called CLR's. These were
17 generated over a various period of time and the document
18 which specifies suppression pool radiological source terms.

19 And in the A22 series relating to the containment,
20 again containment dose reduction study information and
21 also containment information system document which
22 has recommendations and various design bases in it.

23 And finally, and certainly very important to the
24 Mark III containment is the GESSAR Appendix 3B on the
25 Grand Gulf project. This in fact was referenced in the

1 FSAR as the containment loads basis.

2 DR. CATTON: Were your recommendations always
3 followed?

4 MR. SMITH: No, they are not always followed.
5 I would say in the most part they are followed but that's
6 to the discretion of the architect engineer and the
7 utility as to whether a recommendation is followed. It
8 is given in the context of advice, you know, not mandatory
9 requirement.

10 DR. CATTON: What's the difference?

11 DR. ETHERINGTON: Do you monitor the extent to
12 which the recommendations are followed?

13 MR. SMITH: Perhaps as I get into this
14 discussion, I can answer your question better. I'll
15 answer you in more detail but if you could look at the
16 presentation.

17 DR. ETHERINGTON: No, tell me later.

18 MR. SMITH: Thank you.

19 DR. EBERSOLE: Let me ask you -- in all of these,
20 do you have any requirements that you set forth to your,
21 the AE and builders, that specify the quality level or
22 reliability of the functions that you refer to up here
23 in a safety context. I mean, you can say the same thing
24 about a non-safety requirement, safety requirement, except
25 you mean more when you're talking about a limiting set of

1 requirements. A case in point, do you tell the AE that
2 in any hypothetical accident which you have in the plant,
3 redundancy of the mitigation function shall be preserved?
4 Do you tell them that? You'd better be careful because
5 I'm going to find out that you don't do that in the field.
6 Do you tell them, if I have a hypothetical pipe failure
7 or line failure or electrical failure or whatever, I must
8 always retain redundancy to mitigate that accident if
9 the accident is serious?

10 MR. SMITH: That would be a design basis of
11 core cooling functions --

12 DR. EBERSOLE: Do you give that to the --

13 MR. SMITH: And we would -- excuse me. We would
14 tell him what is required of a given system, the RHR system
15 for example, what is required for that system must meet
16 certain requirements. Must meet whatever.

17 DR. EBERSOLE: As a case in point, if I have
18 an accident, do you require of me and this is a very
19 simple thing redundancy in a mitigation complex which
20 will mitigate that accident?

21 MR. SMITH: Our requirements on him are not
22 that he come up with something that would provide that.
23 It is the design of our system --

24 DR. EBERSOLE: You do that, then?

25 MR. SMITH: Yes, provides that, and he must in

1 fact implement that design in the field as it is intended
2 by our design engineers.

3 DR. EBERSOLE: In other words, you're prescriptive
4 in this case?

5 MR. SMITH: Yes.

6 DR. EBERSOLE: Is that by the way one of your
7 requirements?

8 MR. SMITH: Yes.

9 DR. EBERSOLE: Then we'll get into some details
10 later. Okay, thank you.

11 MR. SMITH: The design interface process is
12 comprised of several facets which I'd like to go through
13 briefly with you. First of all and obviously we generate
14 and distribute documentation during the entire course of
15 the program. It's not something that happens early on
16 and then we go into a vacuum. Obviously it continues
17 through the total life of the plant. We have an
18 activity which possibly is misnomered but nevertheless
19 we call it a design freeze. That freeze should be in
20 quotes. What that really is is to establish a baseline
21 design early in the project evolution for the NSSS and
22 the BOP systems to assure regulatory design and contractual
23 requirements. It is not an absolute freeze. It is just to
24 get yourself in a good benchmark situation early in the
25 project where you can go on after you've had the opportunity

1 to have discussions, rather exhaustive I might add,
2 over a substantial period of time to reach understanding
3 and agreement between the utility, General Electric
4 and the architect engineer.

5 For example, in the Grand Gulf plant, this
6 activity was conducted from late 1974 through early
7 1977 so you can see it occurs over a lengthy period of
8 time to get the best design base that we can.

9 During the course of the plant, naturally we
10 have continuous communication daily, telephone calls,
11 that kind of thing, letters that come in again daily
12 between the three principals, that is the utilities,
13 architect engineer and General Electric. In General
14 Electric's case and I'm sure in the other cases we have
15 a formalized process where we track the letters. Some
16 letters of course are only informational and others
17 require action and those are tracked on a computerized
18 basis to make sure that we close out the items.

19 Meetings are exhaustive. There are various types
20 of meetings. We have of course, the important lower level
21 working design level review which occur weekly and
22 monthly and there are numerous -- in terms of quantity
23 of these meetings that have occurred over the life of
24 this plant in ten years.

25 We have from time to time, this is a general

1 statement, not only unique to Grand Gulf but in general,
2 General Electric does have technical information and
3 technology update meetings with the community at large
4 where we share, inter-share ideas back and forth.

5 On the Grand Gulf job and I'm sure this
6 analogy relates to other projects, we have frequent
7 senior level management meetings wherein problems are
8 reviewed so that problems are not only aired at a working
9 level, they are aired up to the highest level of management
10 and on Grand Gulf we've had these meetings ongoing for
11 several years so that management, top management does
12 get the opportunity to hear some of the detailed problem
13 issues.

14 One might ask, how about changes to all of
15 your base-lined information? How do you get that into
16 the system and who knows about what in terms of changes?
17 Obviously we do have a very sophisticated change system.
18 We have several levels of change documentation starting
19 from the highest order -- an engineering change authoriza-
20 tion which can apply to several documents and/or several
21 systems. That's our highest order of change paper. We have
22 an engineering change notice which is of the same order
23 of importance but it applies specifically to a given
24 document and then we mitigate away from the engineering
25 community at the home office into items that are already

1 delivered and installed in the field and we have things
2 called field disposition instruction which is an
3 engineering change that relates to something that's
4 already in the field. It's generated normally by our
5 home engineering office and then we have the other end
6 of that communication bridge which is the working folks,
7 the engineers and construction folks at the site. If
8 they determine a change is required, they have a vehicle
9 to feed that back into the system and that's our field
10 deviation disposition request which is really an instruction
11 from the field back to our home office to make a change.
12 Of course, it must be approved by our home office
13 engineering organization and if it isn't, then they work
14 out together with the field, what the differences are.

15 All of these examples of our change process
16 are communicated by a formal communication distribution
17 system to the architect engineer and obviously to the
18 utility for their review, comment and/or approval as
19 is appropriate. And it's a constant feedback here in
20 the loop of the changes.

21 All of these changes are in fact processed
22 in accordance with 10CFR50, Appendix B as is required by
23 G.E.'s QA program.

24 And finally, under design interface process,
25 we do have a general and operational information kind of

1 documentation. This is a much lower level kind of
2 documentation. We have two of these document categories.
3 One is called application information document. That's
4 normally based on experience that comes from operating
5 reactors in the field, but it's more of an engineering
6 nature. It doesn't necessarily have to come from there,
7 but it's more of an engineering nature and again it's the
8 recommendation to the utility and the architect engineer
9 to consider making some change. It does not affect nuclear
10 safety. It's more in the area of operational -- of
11 operational betterment, sometimes personnel safety, those
12 kinds of things. If it's a nuclear safety item, of course,
13 it has to go into the other category of the more precise
14 documentation that I just mentioned before this.

15 And finally, we have the services information
16 letter which again has informational kinds of things.
17 Normally it is from an operating plant. Something has
18 been observed. Again, it is not nuclear safety related.
19 It has to do with operation or personnel safety and it's
20 a recommendation for people to implement or not as they
21 see fit.

22 DR. ZUDANS: On this bullet "D", what kind
23 of a distribution you have of these documents? Is it
24 only within the organization or selectively to AE's and
25 utilities as required?

1 MR. SMITH: All of the items under item "D" and
2 "E" for that matter, but under "D" and specifically because
3 that is the quality control area, if you will, for design
4 changes, by General Electric procedure and rule, all of
5 those documents are sent both to the architect engineer
6 and to the utility by requirement in our procedures.

7 DR. ZUDANS: Okay.

8 MR. SMITH: And as a matter of fact, at a certain
9 point in the evolution of the design of the plant and
10 we are there now in unit one, then all of the engineering
11 changes require the approval of the utility. Of course
12 the plant is now entering the operational mode.

13 DR. ZUDANS: That really implies AE as well or not?

14 MR. SMITH: That's the utility's function if
15 he desires --

16 DR. EBERSOLE: Yes, that's correct. May I ask,
17 where if anywhere do product improvement programs take
18 place, such as improvement of the scram discharge volume
19 concept? And other fundamental things to make the
20 plant better than it fundamentally is? You can't argue
21 that it's perfect or ever will be but it can be made
22 better.

23 MR. SMITH: We think we have a very good product
24 but you're right. There are from time to time changes that
25 people do become aware of and they need to get into the

1 system. How does that happen? There are several vehicles.
2 Probably the most often used vehicle is a proposal by
3 our engineering organization to my staff that some product
4 improvement be made to this job and I communicate those
5 kinds of proposed changes to the utility and to the
6 architect engineer for their review and comment. Given
7 that they choose to implement such a product improvement,
8 then we provide to them one of these items in item "D",
9 either an ECA or ECN which documents that product improve-
10 ment change and so then it goes through the entire formal
11 change process.

12 DR. EBERSOLE: Do the utilities ever act as
13 a contributor to this process?

14 MR. SMITH: Yes, they do from time to time feed
15 back to us changes that they would like to see. As a
16 matter of fact, we have a system set up on Grand Gulf
17 which is not unique, but nevertheless I'm familiar with
18 the Grand Gulf system, wherein the utility and architect
19 engineer suggest changes from their viewpoint on these
20 field, FDDR documents and they submit them to us for our
21 technical concurrence and approval and given that we have
22 that mutual understanding, then it's implemented in the
23 plant.

24 DR. EBERSOLE: In connection with an AE, you
25 picked an AE which to my knowledge had never built and will

1 probably never again build a nuclear plant. Is this
2 correct?

3 MR. SMITH: No sir, not that I'm aware of.
4 Number one, we did not pick the AE. The utility picked
5 the AE for Grand Gulf. But it's my understanding --

6 DR. EBERSOLE: I mean Braun.

7 MR. SMITH: Oh, you're talking about STRIDE now.
8 I'm sorry. I'm talking about Grand Gulf.

9 DR. EBERSOLE: No, I'm talking about STRIDE, right.

10 MR. SMITH: I really can't address STRIDE.
11 Perhaps Mr. Davis --

12 DR. EBERSOLE: Well, I thought it would fold in --
13 I thought you were really talking about your whole process,
14 not necessarily.

15 MR. SMITH: I am, with respect to the control
16 process but you asked me a question specifically about
17 that AE which I can't answer.

18 DR. EBERSOLE: I see; I was going to say, did in
19 the case of STRIDE, is this pattern valid here?

20 MR. SMITH: Yes.

21 DR. EBERSOLE: Did you not act as a more or less
22 supervisory influence over Braun, in view of the fact they
23 never built a reactor plant before, to my knowledge.

24 MR. SMITH: I can't speak, Dr. Ebersole to the
25 control process over C.F. Braun. I'm sorry, I wasn't involved

1 in that.

2 DR. EBERSOLE: I see.

3 MR. SMITH: But, this program that I've outlined
4 does apply to every General Electric plant.

5 DR. EBERSOLE: That's what I thought.

6 MR. SMITH: I just can't speak specifically to
7 that architect engineer.

8 DR. CATTON: What specifically do you do to
9 ensure that your mandatory requirements are satisfied?

10 MR. SMITH: Good question, Dr. Catton and I'd
11 like to get into that in the next discussion.

12 DR. CATTON: While you're doing that, maybe
13 you can tell me what you're doing differently now than
14 you did before the scram discharge drain system problem?

15 MR. SMITH: I'm not sure we're doing anything
16 differently other than being more aware of a problem like
17 that and incorporating that kind of thing into our
18 review process.

19 DR. CATTON: You can see why I asked the question.
20 That ought to be one of your mandatory requirements and
21 somehow a lot of things are missed.

22 MR. SMITH: I understand. Let me develop what
23 we do with respect to these things and see if that doesn't
24 get to your question.

25 There have been several interface programs that

1 have occurred over the course of the Grand Gulf plant
2 and again I'm sure that these kinds of interface programs
3 apply to all of the BWR6 products. There have been
4 special events which have caused a massive amount of
5 interchange of information between General Electric
6 and it's customers and the architect engineers. Specific
7 examples would be the BWR owners groups and I think
8 Mr. Richardson will give you some additional information
9 on that. TMI issues groups, the work that has been
10 ongoing between G.E. and all of the BWR 6 utilities with
11 respect to the evaluation of our NSSS equipment under
12 all of the dynamic loads that were addressed and discussed
13 inthe GESSAR 3B and all of the CLR reports. The area of
14 Atlas has had various groups interchanging information
15 and also equipment environmental qualification groups
16 and seismic qualification requirement groups. I'm merely
17 pointing these out as being specific technical areas
18 where there is a rather massive exchange of information
19 that takes place between the principals and building
20 a nuclear plant.

21 The next area, addresses I think, Dr. Catton,
22 your question -- at least it attempts to, and that is
23 the Grand Gulf project initiated a balance of plant interface
24 review activity between General Electric and the architect
25 engineer some time ago. The reason behind this program is

1 to gain an understanding and ensure an interpretation on
2 the part of the architect engineer of G.E.'s requirements.
3 Do they really understand what's in our spec? And so, you
4 know we have a dialog talking back and forth for several
5 days about various G.E. requirements in the given
6 specifications. It's not only in the mandatory specs but
7 of course, those are the ones that we highlight on.

8 These have been conducted once per year. The
9 most recent of my recollection are, in April of 1980 and
10 in July of 1981. Our engineering management selects these
11 systems which in their opinion must be reviewed during
12 such a review. Our lead systems engineers then, as a
13 result of their management having selected some specific
14 systems for review, the lead system engineers and
15 General Electric will provide detailed questions which
16 should address those systems that engineering management
17 has selected. Then there is a team, a review team from
18 General Electric which will go to the architect engineering
19 firm along with someone from my organization and that
20 team selects at random which of the items will be looked
21 at at any given time. The discussions of course take
22 place and resolution is essentially nearly always achieved,
23 however, as all human relations will show, there are always
24 some open items and those open items are in fact then
25 tracked by General Electric for final resolution. General

1 Electric's management requires that they be tracked and
2 ultimately resolved and that they be kept aware of such
3 a thing.

4 Does that address the concern that you had?

5 DR. CATTON: In a sort of broad way.

6 MR. SMITH: Can I help you with any other aspect
7 of it?

8 DR. CATTON: I guess the second question is,
9 something didn't seem to work right in this process when
10 it came to the scram discharge drain system. Normally
11 when something like that occurs, a change is made in how
12 you do business and I was just curious and would like to
13 know if any changes were made and if there were, what
14 were they?

15 MR. SMITH: I think in that particular case,
16 I'm not infinitely familiar with all the technical details
17 of that case, but I think in that particular case it was
18 a matter of engineering and the operations people, both
19 from the utility and G.E.'s operations people not being
20 fully aware that that could occur, and given that it did
21 occur, having taken remedial design action to cure the
22 problem. The process of interface control was felt to
23 be adequate. It's one of those situations where engineering
24 and operating people weren't communicating as well as
25 they should have been, and that's my opinion.

1 DR. PLESSET: I think Dr. Sherwood would like to
2 make a comment.

3 DR. SHERWOOD: I can help on that one.

4 On these service information letters that we
5 were discussing here, we put out roughly 50 a year, put
6 out something like 300 to 500 and these are divided into
7 four categories, the first category being something
8 equivalent to an emergency -- the exact name escapes me,
9 and with regard to the scram discharge volume, we met
10 with our utilities immediately after the Brown's Ferry
11 incident, worked out plans and procedures and fixes
12 and they were immediately sent to all of our customers on
13 a service information letter. These included the fixes
14 to the vent, to the drain lines, also the UT for the track,
15 for tracking the water level in the scram discharge
16 volumes. So I think that's probably a fairly good example
17 where the utilities and G.E. worked together quickly to
18 come up with a solution and get it out on an action plan.

19 DR. CATTON: I was more interested in what
20 you've done to avoid the problem, rather than what you
21 did with the particular problem because I'm fairly
22 familiar with that. In this particular case there were
23 things done that your household plumber wouldn't do and
24 it seems to me that somehow that aspect of the design
25 review didn't exist or just wasn't done or something. When

1 I see this list A through F, it doesn't tell me what
2 you're going to do to avoid problems like that in the
3 future.

4 DR. SHERWOOD: With regard to past experience
5 we did give specification on the drain lines in those
6 days. Perhaps it was not precise enough. Now with the
7 BWR6, we give full details on the specification for the
8 drain lines and their elevations and so forth. So it's
9 true that years ago, that our interface specifications
10 were not as precise and clear as they are today. Yet, we
11 had them in those days and there were specs on the drain
12 lines for those scram discharge volumes. They weren't
13 clear enough.

14 DR. CATTON: Maybe I could try another way. You
15 specified something for that discharge drain system. You
16 had certain requirements. Does somebody actually go and
17 take a look at the design and say yes, this particular
18 design will meet those requirements and sign it off?

19 DR. SHERWOOD: No, in that case --

20 DR. CATTON: I'm talking about now, not that
21 case. What are your other mandatory requirements?

22 DR. SHERWOOD: In that case, I think that Al
23 Smith can address that.

24 MR. SMITH: I think I should address that. There's
25 always the question of how do you know? How do you know about

1 mandatory requirements. That, of course, addresses
2 what you're asking. We depend upon the process, the
3 quality control process in Bechtel's organization,
4 for example, which has to be under 10CFR50, as well as
5 our own QA process as well as Mississippi Power and Light's
6 QA process.

7 DR. CATTON: QA does not address the question.

8 MR. SMITH: Excuse me. Let me develop this
9 argument.

10 The process of quality control is not only
11 some inspector looking at something, it is also a design
12 review process and as I understand it, Bechtel certainly
13 can address this from their viewpoint of Grand Gulf. As
14 I understand that process, it requires also an engineering
15 review and audit of requirements to determine whether in
16 fact those requirements have been met in the exact design,
17 you know, in the detailed design and we depend on that
18 process.

19 DR. CATTON: Was that process in place before
20 the scram discharge problem?

21 MR. SMITH: As far as I know that process was
22 implemented.

23 DR. CATTON: So the scram discharge was just --

24 MR. SMITH: One can assume in that instance it
25 slipped through.

1 DR. CATTON: Slipped through. It's not that
2 the mechanism doesn't exist?

3 MR. SMITH: Right.

4 DR. CATTON: I think you've answered my question.

5 MR. SMITH: There's another category of
6 interface information which I won't dwell on long but it
7 does exist and it's worthwhile mentioning. That is, in
8 the installation, pre-operational and start-up testing
9 area, G.E. does generate and implement installation and
10 construction and storage requirements and we interface
11 with the AE and the utility on those, also of course,
12 implementing of our test specifications and as a matter
13 of fact, there's a definite feedback there in that
14 we generate information to the utility and the AE for
15 start up. They put it in their own form and then General
16 Electric review and approves those procedures for the
17 start up and pre-operational test process.

18 The final item that I'd like to discuss with
19 you is a pre-fuel load site review that we conduct,
20 have conducted on the Grand Gulf project. This is a review
21 that was mandated by General Electric's management for the
22 Grand Gulf project. The purpose of the review was to
23 assure that the NSSS systems will be started up safely
24 and that of course they'll be capable of safe and reliable
25 operation in the future. Our quality assurance organization

1 established the general and specific areas that we
2 should be concerned with and looking at. There was an
3 experienced review team that was put together to make this
4 review prior to fuel loading. It was comprised of
5 management and working level people who are specialists
6 in their areas, nuclear chemists, piping stress people,
7 all of the various disciplines and along with the quality
8 assurance engineering specialists.

9 This review was conducted at Grand Gulf over
10 the period of a week. The findings were then put together
11 by this team. I accompanied that team, although was not
12 part of it, merely to observe and help them find places
13 in the plant. The utility was very gracious and cooperative
14 in this review and allowed us free course in the plant.

15 The findings by the team were communicated
16 then to the utility at the conclusion of the review.
17 They were also communicated to senior General Electric
18 management for their understanding and review and all
19 of these items then need to be addressed by the responsible
20 parties. When I say that, there are some that are
21 internal to General Electric and some that are external
22 and need to be addressed by either the architect engineer
23 or the utility, and those in fact have been done. There
24 are a few that still remain open and those have been
25 given dates for resolution and closure.

1 That concludes the formal material that I have.
2 I'd be happy to answer any questions.

3 DR. ZUDANS: Could I ask you one question?

4 MR. SMITH: Yes, sir.

5 DR. ZUDANS: In this design QA process, on your
6 part you have listed a number of different documents where
7 you define what's required of the balance of plant. Now
8 assuming that AE designs the particular portion of balanced
9 plant and I assume that he will channel his drawings and
10 design information back to G.E., what would G.E. do to
11 assure the QA that that particular requirement --- would
12 you check their drawings, check their engineering calcula-
13 tions? To what extent do you go in that process?

14 MR. SMITH: There's a multiplicity of reviews
15 that take place. Again, starting with the every day
16 kind of correspondence that happens -- for example, Bechtel
17 sends us their drawings with a commentary on their drawings
18 for us to look into, of a various nature. Either it's
19 some comment that requires us to feedback information to
20 them or it's some lower level informational thing just
21 for G.E. "good-guy" kind of information. G.E. in fact
22 also as I stated before, conducts these reviews with the
23 AE to go through the mandatory documents to determine
24 whether they understand the criteria, etc., and have
25 implemented it. On an audit basis, from time to time

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1 internally in our own house, we look over implementation
2 of requirements. Our engineering people are given the
3 various drawings to review and if they have any comments
4 on the drawings, they feed those back to me and I feed
5 those back to the utility. We do not redo their engineering
6 calculations for example.

7 DR. ZUDANS: Do you get the copies of their
8 engineering calculations for review?

9 MR. SMITH: In some cases yes, but not in
10 general. In some cases we do. In particular in the new
11 loads area, for example, we have received many of their
12 calculations, mainly because of the inter-effect that
13 it has on the NSSS new loads adequacy work that we were
14 doing.

15 DR. ZUDANS: For example, in service water supply,
16 you need a certain number of gallons per minute to be
17 delivered and that is coming from some remote structure
18 of the intake structure and they are hydraulic calculations
19 that show that the system as designed will in fact
20 deliver that. You don't do any of that. Is it provided
21 on an acceptance test or something like that?

22 MR. SMITH: They supply us with information
23 like that on data sheets -- the system that you
24 mentioned, for example.

25 DR. ZUDANS: Right.

1 DR. PLESSET: Let me ask you a question of
2 another kind. Certainly we realize the interface
3 area is a very important one. I'm curious how it works
4 with foreign plants. For example, there are a large number
5 of boiling water reactors operating and being built in
6 Japan. How does this interface problem work in that case?
7 I think this is kind of an important question because there
8 have been criticisms that plants take too long to build
9 in the United States. They are built more rapidly in
10 Japan. I think there are other reasons that enter into
11 that and I'm looking in different directions now, but
12 what is the interface relationship there between you and
13 well, Hitachi for example and Tokyo Electric? How does
14 that work? It's a long way off. Do you interface more
15 or less or is it different?

16 MR. SMITH: The general rules of interface
17 would apply as I've discussed them. The practical applica-
18 tion of them does differ for several reasons. One,
19 of course just the remoteness of the location. General
20 Electric has local engineering offices, for example, in
21 Tokyo so that there's an engineering arm stationed there,
22 just to speed up the communication process. In many
23 of our overseas plants relationships, also General Electric
24 has had the responsibility of being the architect engineer
25 on the job, if you will.

1 DR. PLESSET: Was that the case in Taiwan?

2 MR. SMITH: No, it was not the case in Taiwan
3 but in Japan it has been the case in the past. That's
4 a complicated relationship now, because also, of course,
5 we have a licensee in Japan who is as of late, at least
6 on the later plants has taken over much of that responsi-
7 bility so we therefore, interface for example on many
8 of the Japanese plants with Hitachi --

9 DR. PLESSET: I'm aware that there was at least
10 one boiling water plant built by G.E. in Japan.

11 MR. SMITH: Yes, there have been many.

12 DR. PLESSET: I have to see this one. It looked
13 very nice. That was Tokai-2.

14 MR. SMITH: Tokai.

15 DR. PLESSET: Yes. You say there are others
16 that you have been the architect engineer?

17 MR. SMITH: Yes, Fukushima. There are several
18 plants there. I believe there was a Tokai 1 and 2.
19 There were others.

20 DR. PLESSET: Okay, I haven't been to Fukushima
21 but now you're not doing that?

22 MR. SMITH: The Japanese have a unique idea of
23 commerce, wherein they send their cars here and we can't
24 sell reactors there unless they're brand new technology --
25 that's my own opinion. In any case, we have not been

1 actively building plants in Japan since the completion
2 of Tokai 2. We looked to the future for new technology
3 to do that.

4 DR. PLESSET: You have no other comments about
5 how the interfaces worked where you have say, Hitachi
6 as an architect engineer?

7 MR. SMITH: Yes, I can expand on the Hitachi
8 situation because I'm personally familiar with that.

9 DR. PLESSET: Mostly is it more efficient or
10 less efficient or about the same?

11 MR. SMITH: Efficiency is I guess in the eyes
12 of the beholder. If one looks at time --

13 DR. PLESSET: One straightforward example is
14 the time it takes -- that's a pretty good measure of
15 how things are going.

16 MR. SMITH: Right, I agree, being project manager.
17 We would have to conclude that it's more efficient from
18 the viewpoint of time. Why is that? Again, it's
19 for various reasons, not the least of which I think
20 their entire ethic there -- and of course, the regulatory
21 process does seem to facilitate decision making more
22 rapidly than perhaps here. The interface itself, though,
23 on a technical level is basically the same. Hitachi
24 for example, sends engineers here to our country constantly.
25 We have people that live in our house, so to speak, in

1 San Jose where we constantly exchange interface information
2 and develop ideas. So there's just a constant on top
3 of it kind of process going on. That's not to say that
4 it doesn't happen here, but it's expedited I think, mainly
5 because of the Japanese ethic that they put on.

6 DR. PLESSET: Mr. Davis, do you want to make a
7 comment or Glen, do you want to make a comment?

8 DR. SHERWOOD: My name is Sherwood. We don't
9 have anybody here from the -- our Taiwan office but the
10 architect engineer on the current Taiwan project was
11 Bechtel up in San Francisco, so we had very close working
12 relationships with Bechtel as we would for domestic plants.

13 The recent Kuo-Sheng is the first BWR6 as you well
14 know, was constructed in 61 months which was I think
15 truly, at least by the State's standard a record. But it
16 was essentially a Bechtel design and the architect engineer
17 work was integrated with G.E. in the same sense as it
18 would be for a U.S. plant.

19 DR. PLESSET: So it wasn't really different
20 from what you're doing here?

21 DR. SHERWOOD: No, no, it was not different.

22 DR. BUSH: Could I ask a different question?

23 One thing I don't see on this listing is whether G.E.
24 provides an audit function of the field and design QA,
25 your QA, to establish that it remains in compliance because

1 there are obvious examples where things have begun to
2 slip.

3 MR. SMITH: Yes, Dr. Bush, there is in fact
4 such a function and it takes place on a yearly audit basis.
5 The head of our entire quality organization sends a team
6 to various sites. It's my understanding it's on a yearly
7 basis to look into the records. Are they in fact following
8 the General Electric Quality Assurance procedures.

9 DR. BUSH: Now, is this a departmental or
10 divisional or is it a corporate type of an audit?

11 MR. SMITH: We are at a somewhat higher than
12 a division in our entire corporation and it's at that
13 level. It reports to an executive vice president function.

14 DR. BUSH: So it isn't necessarily a corporate
15 audit to establish compliance as such? Sometimes they're
16 done, too, and I just was curious to know whether you
17 might have expanded it so that it meets the corporate
18 criteria.

19 MR. SMITH: It meets the corporate criteria in
20 that the corporation of course, audits our San Jose
21 group but the corporation to the best of my knowledge
22 does not audit directly to the site.

23 DR. BUSH: Thank you.

24 DR. PLESSET: Maybe we should move on.

25 DR. SCHROCK: I just wondered if this review,

1 experienced review team that you have on this last slide
2 was a new innovation for the Grand Gulf project or is
3 this something that has been the general mode of operation
4 in the past?

5 MR. SMITH: General Electric has conducted
6 similar reviews on other plants, not necessarily by
7 the same team, of course, but yes, we have conducted
8 similar audits.

9 DR. SCHROCK: This seems to me to be an
10 excellent idea and I would think that you would accumulate
11 experience from this as to how your project management
12 is improving project by project if this were a well
13 documented program.

14 DR. PLESSET: Can we go on then? Thank you,
15 Mr. Smith. I think you have Mr. McGaughy -- is that the
16 way you pronounce it? Bechtel is next?

17 MR. MCGAUGHY: Right, Bechtel, yes. I'd like
18 to introduce Bob Trickovic of Bechtel Power Corporation
19 who is the Project Engineer for Grand Gulf.

20 MR. TRICKOVIC: Mr. Chairman, my name is Robert
21 Trickovic. I'm an employee of Bechtel Power Corporation.
22 I will attempt to be brief in my remarks and the objective
23 is to provide you with our perspective of the NSSS supplier,
24 AE interface and the related interface controls.

25 (Slide Presentation)

1 We view interface with any outside organization
2 as a key element in our overall process of design and
3 we control it rigorously under the umbrella of a quality
4 assurance program and the implementing procedures.

5 Recently we had an occasion to address NRC
6 Staff on the same issue when the questions arose about
7 the adequacy of AE quality assurance programs, specifically
8 the design controls and interface controls with other
9 organizations. I believe that issue was known as Diablo
10 Canyon.

11 A written report was submitted to NRC by our
12 client, Mississippi Power and Light in March of this year,
13 and for those interested, I'd like to give you a letter
14 reference. It's AECM82/119. The date of that letter is
15 March 26, 1982.

16 Recognizing the importance of design interfaces
17 and design interface controls, we've had many many
18 quality assurance and technical audits that again
19 recently culminated in an independent design review
20 conducted by Cygna Corporation. I believe it was a fall off
21 of Diablo Canyon concerns and Mississippi Power and Light
22 in their leadership role voluntarily agreed to subject
23 our whole design process to an independent design review.

24 In the kick-off meeting with NRC, the objective
25 of Cygna's independent review was established as follows:

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Review all QA activities taking place during the new loads adequacy evaluation.

Review the technical adequacy of one system. It happened to be RHR Loop A. It might be of specific interest to you in the perspective of the interest placed into G.E./AE interest, that in the same kick-off meeting Cygna Corporation was directed by Mr. Denton to specifically pay attention to interfaces, not only with General Electric but with other participating organizations.

I'd like to provide you with several points that made me decide to bring this to your attention up front. New loads adequacy evaluation is one of the major design activities involving more than one organization, having taken place during the Grand Gulf negotiation design process which, by the way, covered a period of several years.

We have gone through the extensive re-evaluation. We have gone through extensive iterative process of exchanging information between General Electric and Bechtel. We have gone through extensive program of equipment requalification involving outside organizations such as valve suppliers. We have made significant numbers of plant changes, primarily in the area of hanger design.

Secondly, containment loads reports, or more

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1 precisely GESSAR II, Appendix 3B, was a basis for our
 2 activity. And I'm happy to report to you that as of
 3 today, I'm not aware of any findings that would indicate
 4 non-compliance with good interface control practices.
 5 I believe that Cygna Corporation is about to submit a
 6 final report to NRC here today or next Friday. They
 7 have, however, submitted an interim report to the NRC Staff.

8 Another significant point that deserves your
 9 attention I believe, in the perspective of this issue,
 10 is that in March of 1980, another independent design
 11 review took place. It involved NRC Staff and their
 12 consultants, EG&G Idaho, Inc. and reviewed all of our
 13 category one structures. The techniques that they used
 14 went beyond simply a quality assurance or an audit
 15 function. The techniques involved independent studies,
 16 independent calculations and the end result was full
 17 compliance with all applicable codes, standards, REG guides
 18 and General Electric Company interim containment loads
 19 reports. Details of this study or of this event could
 20 be found in the letter that I have reference previously.

21 DR. SCHROCK: Could I ask a question that's
 22 a little more general in nature.

23 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, sir.

24 DR. SCHROCK: Bechtel is a very large organization
 25 and there are different projects assigned to different parts

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1 of the organization. I had some experience a few years
2 ago that indicated to me that the level of engineering
3 quality in different organizations within Bechtel seem
4 to be quite non-uniform. You have now established similar
5 interface programs within the company that assure that
6 your standards are the same for all projects managed by
7 groups that are located in different offices?

8 MR. TRICKOVIC: Sir, I'm a little surprised that
9 you have found significant differences in quality. However,
10 I cannot comment on it having spent thirteen years in
11 Gaithersburg.

12 DR. SCHROCK: Let me say that it was the
13 experience that -- I won't go into detail on -- is now
14 eight years old, but it was real.

15 MR. TRICKOVIC: We conduct our activities under
16 the umbrella of the Bechtel Corporate Quality Assurance
17 Program which has been submitted to NRC, has been reviewed
18 and has been accepted. Obviously, there are -- Quality
19 Assurance program provides an umbrella and various divisions
20 developed their implementing procedures. I have a great
21 deal of faith in the expertise within Bechtel Power
22 Corporation.

23 DR. SCHROCK: Faith is one thing, but what
24 I'm asking is, do you have a deliberate program to ensure
25 that you use the right interface among different project

1 groups that are handling similar product lines?

2 MR. TRICKOVIC: One of the items that I will
3 show later will indicate the interest that our San Francisco
4 Thermal Power organization has shown and to the process
5 of interfacing with General Electric and they have
6 audited us as such. It is my understanding -- I cannot
7 confirm that they have done a similar function of other
8 projects to assure uniformity in dealing with NSSS
9 suppliers. In this specific case, General Electric.

10 I'm not sure if I answered your question, sir.
11 I do have to state that my entire experience with Bechtel
12 Power Corporations is limited to Gaithersburg Power Division
13 in several capacities. I do know that we exchange informa-
14 tion between various offices on a regular basis, that
15 we have a system of problem alerts, sharing information
16 of safety concerns between various projects and several
17 other elements that one would deem reasonable within
18 the overall perspective of the overall quality assurance
19 program.

20 DR. BUSH: Now that you've been interrupted,
21 let me ask a question on one of your earlier slides. To
22 get a better feel for what comprises the audit, let me
23 take the one on the reviewing of piping and pipe supports
24 on the RHR Loop. I can visualize three classes of
25 audits. One of them is for compliance which is simply an

1 audit, essentially of the calculations and may or may not
2 be worthwhile. Another one is to the adequacy of the
3 design which in essence assumes an independent analysis
4 and probably uses the NRC criteria. Now, I don't
5 necessarily agree with NRC criteria on piping as I think
6 the Staff knows from past experience.

7 The third would be an optimized design again
8 requiring an independent analysis which cross-checks
9 the original analysis with regard to response characteristics
10 of the piping.

11 What type did Cygna conduct on this one? Was
12 it simply a straightforward audit of the calculations
13 or did they go beyond that?

14 MR. TRICKOVIC: I believe that they have gone
15 beyond that, sir. They have started with the design input,
16 seismic response spectra. They have started with the
17 SRV discharge, chugging condensation loads. All the loads
18 that typically play a part in the analysis of our structures,
19 pipe supports, hangers, snubbers, etc., and with the
20 appropriate load combinations they have reviewed the
21 input process. They have reviewed our stress analyses,
22 they have reviewed our hanger calculations, they have
23 reviewed the appropriateness of the application of
24 code (ph) sections. They have conducted a walk down, plant
25 walk down to confirm the as-built configuration, has been

1 properly reflected in our drawings, so from my viewpoint,
2 they have covered all aspects of the design process.

3 DR. BUSH: That's basically the parallel path
4 approach.

5 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, sir.

6 DR. EBERSOLE: May I ask a question? What you've
7 said pertains to the seismic category one and safety
8 equipment. If you are so comprehensive as this, do you
9 have a QA program that confirms that the -- I guess I'll
10 call it the influence factors or influence fields on seismic
11 equipment from non-seismic?

12 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, sir.

13 DR. EBERSOLE: Qualified aspects of performance,
14 not to mention simple random mechanical failures?

15 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, sir. We have a criteria
16 two over one that has been extensively applied to this
17 project resulting in stress analysis to make sure that
18 the class one system or seismic class one systems are
19 not impaired by non-class one systems.

20 DR. EBERSOLE: How do you verify that that's done
21 other than by actual direct field evaluation of the
22 completed installation? I don't know of any three
23 dimensional drawings that show the full complement of
24 equipment in given space.

25 MR. TRICKOVIC: We conduct walk downs. We have

1 another system we are rather proud of. It's called an
2 engineering review team that considers internally generated
3 missiles, two over one considerations, field routed
4 equipment. We conduct flooding, we conduct walk downs,
5 we record any potential jeopardizing influences on our
6 seismic class one structures. We return back to the office
7 and conduct analysis.

8 DR. EBERSOLE: Do you conduct investigations
9 over seismic performance of non-qualified equipment in
10 the control and instrumentation context?

11 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, sir.

12 DR. EBERSOLE: As a case in point with fire
13 fighting equipment, do you confirm that CO₂ injection
14 common to all the diesel plants might not occur at a point
15 when the diesel plants were badly needed? Or do you have
16 carbon dioxide at this plant? I don't know.

17 MR. TRICKOVIC: It's only in the control
18 building. We don't have it in the diesel building.

19 DR. EBERSOLE: You don't have it in the diesel
20 plants.

21 MR. TRICKOVIC: Right, but I will tell you one
22 thing, that the -- some of our fire protection systems,
23 sprinkler systems are a typical example of, which I believe
24 you are interested in -- they are non-Q in their nature.
25 However, having to thread those pipes over and above seismic

1 category one systems, trays, conduits, instrument lines
2 and pipes, we've ended up designing support systems for
3 fire protection systems as seismic category one, just
4 to assure that we do not have the negative or jeopardizing
5 influence.

6 DR. EBERSOLE: And you validate that if there
7 is spurious performance of fire protecton apparatus under
8 seismic influence, that will not inhibit the proper
9 performance of emergency equipment?

10 MR. TRICKOVIC: I do believe so, yes.

11 DR. EBERSOLE: Thank you.

12 DR. CATTON: What does two over one mean?

13 MR. TRICKOVIC: Class one seismic structures
14 are typically all safety related structures. Anything
15 that is balance of plants was designated as Class Two,
16 you know, in a seismic sense. So somebody decided sometime
17 in the past to call it a two over one issue. If you have
18 a balance of plant pipe or a tray or a conduit directly
19 above a safety related pipe, instrument line, conduit
20 or tray, you call that a two over one situation and the
21 criteria is that you have to assure that under a seismic
22 expectation that two, that balance of plant piece or
23 equipment does not fall and impair the performance of the
24 Class One system.

25 DR. CATTON: Thank you.

1 MR. RAY: This may be an unduly detailed question,
2 but I would like it to serve as a test of the adequacy
3 of your design review. It reflects experience with a
4 plant you people were the AE's on back in the early 70's
5 and it involves the installation of the wiring, the
6 construction installation of the wiring of various
7 control systems.

8 At that time, I found that the compatability
9 of your wiring diagrams with the schematic diagrams which
10 control the whole systems operation, of course, the audit
11 on that was done by team members who designed the plant,
12 who set up the schematics and the result was that quite
13 a few gliches in your wiring diagrams reached the field.
14 And that's an expensive point in a project at which to
15 correct them.

16 I wonder what your policy is today. Do you
17 have audit of the wiring diagrams comparing with the
18 schematics done by members conversant with the designs,
19 but not for that particular project? I assume from
20 your communication of your responsibilities, you'd be in
21 a position to assure me on this point.

22 MR. TRICKOVIC: I was intending during the
23 remaining part of my presentation to review the project,
24 the review process conducted on project and off project.
25 At a cost of being redundant, I'd like to state that Bechtel

1 Power Corporation is organized in a matrix form. We have
2 project personnel who are strictly dedicated to a client.
3 I'm a project engineer on a project dedicated to
4 Mississippi Power and Light. We respond to them, scheduling
5 matters, day to day activities, etc.

6 On the side we have a group of people, chief
7 engineers and their staffs. Each major discipline has
8 a chief engineer who is a focal point for a technical
9 adequacy of our efforts. They have staffs who conduct
10 review function. The important point here is that those
11 people are not responsible for job schedules. MP&L does
12 not have a direct line to them and cannot complain about
13 something having slipped. They do conduct those types
14 of reviews on a sample basis. They do review all of
15 the safety systems and those drawings are listed on what
16 we call DCCL list, Design Control Check List which is a
17 controlled document. It is approved by the chief engineer,
18 approved by the engineering manager and those drawings,
19 specifically schematics or elementaries and connection
20 diagrams undergo the review process.

21 To expect a hundred percent review of
22 schematics as opposed to the connection diagrams would,
23 I think would lead us to a commercial death. Simply, sir,
24 the number of terminations that we have on this plant,
25 I believe is measured by hundreds of thousands, if not a

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1 million. We do conduct reviews on project by different
2 people; people who design a schematic do not design a
3 termination or a connection diagram also. Plus, the
4 review process requires a checker of equal or higher
5 competency, a group leader and a group supervisor.

6 In addition to this off project review process
7 that takes place -- and I don't believe, and I'd like
8 Mississippi Power and Light to comment on it, we are
9 very close to the commercial-full power license and
10 I certainly hope close to the commercial operation. I
11 don't believe that in this specific case we've had an
12 inordinate number of discrepancies. There are some,
13 I have to say that.

14 MR. RAY: But the important point here to me
15 is that your review by this independent discipline staff
16 as it were --

17 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes.

18 MR. RAY: Independent of the project, is made
19 even on a sampling basis.

20 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, sir.

21 MR. RAY: The whole QA process is on a sampling
22 basis so that from this viewpoint there is an entirely
23 independent discipline that is independent of the project
24 that does check in this review sense.

25 MR. TRICKOVIC: Absolutely, yes.

1 MR. RAY: For how long has this been in place?

2 MR. TRICKOVIC: Gaithersburg Power Division --
3 I won't give you a number that I would like to have
4 confirmed.

5 MR. RAY: Approximately?

6 MR. TRICKOVIC: It's certainly more than five
7 years.

8 MR. RAY: Thank you.

9 DR. EBERSOLE: May I take a rather pointed
10 example like Jerry did. I'm going to pick, not arbitrarily,
11 a point in the design where I have curiosity. The
12 main feedwater system has reverse flow swing checks.
13 Do you have a criterion from Westinghouse that says
14 that these shall function in the event of an abrupt pipe
15 break upstream thereof in a proper manner to permit no
16 more than XTPM (ph) leakage?

17 MR. TRICKOVIC: From Westinghouse, you said sir?

18 DR. EBERSOLE: No, from G.E.

19 MR. TRICKOVIC: From G.E., I'm sorry.

20 DR. EBERSOLE: You I believe, must be responsible
21 for those check valves as the AE.

22 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, let me ask Paul.

23 We do not have a criteria from G.E.

24 DR. EBERSOLE: Then it's your criteria. Then
25 do you have a criteria that, for an abrupt pipe break

1 upstream of said valves, your valves shall function
2 properly and on schedule against the dynamic heads that
3 will be developed in the course of that accident and
4 do you validate by design or test or both that your
5 valves will do what they have to do?

6 MR. TRICKOVIC: I believe that specific issue
7 was raised by our nuclear staff which is an off project
8 organization recently, via a problem alert route and we
9 are presently --

10 DR. EBERSOLE: It's only 12 years old, that
11 problem.

12 MR. TRICKOVIC: Well, I'm sorry that I guess
13 I cannot specifically answer that question. Paul Kochis
14 is the mechanical group supervisor.

15 MR. KOCHIS: One thing, Dr. Ebersole, we use
16 two different types of valves to preclude common mode
17 failure on the check valve.

18 DR. EBERSOLE: Well, that's fine if one of them
19 will work but how do you know that they're both free of
20 common mode failure?

21 MR. KOCHIS: Right now they're doing a
22 dynamic analysis to prove that the valves will withstand
23 the pressure associated with that type of hydraulic event.

24 DR. EBERSOLE: All right, does this imply that
25 we have a bunch of valves not only at Mississippi Power and

1 Light but at other plants whose performance is questionable
2 in this aspect?

3 MR. KOCHIS: I think it's kind of similar to
4 the Humphrey Issues. It's -- we believe the valves will
5 work. Our judgement says the valves will work and we're
6 developing the calculations to demonstrate that they will
7 in fact do the job.

8 DR. EBERSOLE: What's the Staff doing about this,
9 if anything?

10 MR. KUDRICK: I hate to beg off on that particular
11 topic because it's beyond the scope of people that we have
12 present at the meeting but we will identify that and
13 get back to you.

14 DR. EBERSOLE: There'll be another chance, right.
15 Thank you.

16 MR. TRICKOVIC: Mr. Chairman, may I proceed?

17 DR. PLESSET: Go ahead.

18 MR. TRICKOVIC: At the initiation of the project,
19 the General Electric/Bechtel design interface requirements
20 were defined in the project procedures manual which
21 is a controlled document. We cover interface requirements
22 for such things as design criteria, final design, design
23 review, procurement, start up services, safety analysis
24 reports. At the same time, we developed another control
25 document, a project design criteria manual. The purpose of

1 this document obviously is to be made available to all
2 personnel on the job, to conduct their design activities
3 in accordance with the design basis established on the
4 project. The manual in addition to reference code
5 standards, REG guides, etc., references the key General
6 Electric requirements which form the design basis for
7 a particular system.

8 DR. ZUDANS: This document, is it kept only in
9 Bechtel's offices or is it sent to say, G.E. for review?

10 MR. TRICKOVIC: I would like to defer the
11 answer to that. I'd like to find out a precise answer
12 whether it is sent to G.E. I would think so. I know
13 it is in Mississippi Power and Light's house, and Bechtel
14 Power Corporation Gaithersburg Office's house.

15 The process of design interface controls,
16 the way we view it, consists of three main elements:
17 document control, document review and coordination,
18 interface control verification.

19 On the document control step of our interface
20 control process, our project engineering procedures manual
21 and other control documents and other auditable documents
22 spells out detailed procedures for handling and tracking
23 of all documents coming into our organization. As a part
24 of this process, we have an automated document control
25 register that tracks a given document from the day it enters

1 our organization until the day it leaves our organization,
2 either to the job site, to our client, start up personnel,
3 to construction, as appropriate or as it goes back to
4 the organization that had submitted a report with the
5 appropriate comments.

6 Just to illustrate or touch upon the -- what's
7 happened, I have a slide here that will demonstrate the
8 mechanics of handling -- let me say -- the information
9 we receive from the rest of the world. There are two
10 stamps as you can see. The upper stamp deals with the
11 vendors other than NSSS. The other stamp is specifically
12 designed for our feedback process to General Electric.
13 After we receive a document from General Electric, be it
14 specification, drawing, we affix this stamp, go through
15 a review process on project which involves many disciplines
16 or several disciplines and after we compile their comments,
17 we determine that the document is totally acceptable to us,
18 we can proceed with our work and appropriately we check
19 the block number one. It states no comment. If there
20 are some comments and often there are, things that we
21 think G.E. ought to clean up but are not essential for
22 the Grand Gulf, we being the good-guys provide that infor-
23 mation to General Electric under the code number 2.
24 However, that code says no reply required. Take it for --
25 we think you ought to do a little better than that but there

1 is not -- we don't have a specific need to see that
2 information back.

3 The most important one, gentlemen, is the
4 field number 3, that when checked indicates interface
5 problems as far as our work is concerned. We send this
6 back to General Electric properly signed, dated, on
7 a transmittal form and that document remains open in
8 our automated document control register until we get
9 a response from General Electric, either in a letter
10 form telling us why we are off base in commenting on that
11 particular document and justifying the document, leaving the
12 document as is, or a revision of that document will kick
13 that automated document control system. There are several
14 incidences of -- or occasions, rather of this happening.
15 They are all documented in our files. There are several
16 occurrences where the problems were resolved via Q tracked
17 correspondence.

18 DR. BUSH: Do you stand pat all of your drawings
19 of those that are in a transistant status so that it's
20 clearly established that this is something that's proposed
21 and not acted on?

22 MR. TRICKOVIC: We stamp all of our drawings, sir.

23 DR. BUSH: Stand pat, not stamp.

24 MR. TRICKOVIC: Stand pat?

25 DR. BUSH: Yes.

1 MR. TRICKOVIC: I'm sorry, I don't understand.

2 DR. BUSH: So the status is clearly established
3 that this is a proposed change that has not gone into
4 effect, is not a final drawing and is subject to review
5 and approval?

6 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, yes, sir.

7 DR. BUSH: The status is clearly established on
8 every drawing?

9 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, sir.

10 We track our written communications with G.E.
11 and I'm specifically talking about letters. Any discrepancy
12 or disagreement on a document received from General Electric
13 that represents a significant technical point of disagree-
14 ment, scheduling, licensing is not relied upon entirely
15 on this little stamp business and the transmittal of
16 documents in a form transmittal letter. We immediately
17 utilize written communications with General Electric
18 and address the issues as such. Those communications get
19 a number assigned to them. They are part of our
20 automated document control register. They do not
21 get closed until a resolution has been achieved. We
22 maintain an up to date file of General Electric documents
23 for ready access by project personnel. Since during
24 the process of our design several revisions occur or
25 may occur to a given document, we have a system of clearly

1 designating those revisions that have been outdated so
2 that there is no possibility of somebody pulling a
3 wrong revision out and acting upon that.

4 Finally, we receive a monthly status report
5 from General Electric that we use. The particular
6 document identifies all of the design documents applicable
7 to Grand Gulf as well as the latest revision status of
8 those documents.

9 Step No. 2 in this process, the way we view
10 it deals with a document review and coordination. A minute
11 ago I believe I addressed the reviews conducted on and
12 off project which are proceduralized. I'd like to take
13 you back to the 1972 era when Mark III containments
14 became an attractive solution and General Electric and
15 Bechtel formed a task force that over a period of several
16 months collectively came up with the conceptual Mark III
17 containment design. I view it as a responsive way of
18 two organizations working together to come with something
19 that will meet the requirements.

20 Over a period of several years, General Electric
21 and Bechtel often with Mississippi Power and Light's
22 participation have held over 100 design review meetings.
23 Our files have 128 recorded design review meetings. Again
24 significant interface issues are often resolved by Q
25 communications.

1 Finally, I guess to give you an element of
2 assurance that our corporation does not like to do things
3 in a vacuum, we have established a policy of any deviations
4 from General Electric requirements must be obtained in
5 writing. And, we have followed that policy.

6 DR. CATTON: You're not going to show us that
7 other slide that we have in our package?

8 MR. TRICKOVIC: Unless you feel it's necessary --

9 DR. CATTON: I'd like you to just put it up and
10 then I'll ask a question. I'm sure you're --

11 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes, this slide?

12 DR. CATTON: Yes. I'm sure you are familiar
13 with the scram discharge drain system problem and there
14 are a lot of us who are very interested in trying to
15 figure out how the hell it could happen and since it
16 did happen, what has been done to ensure that it won't
17 happen in the future? You have a rather detailed diagram
18 of how you do business here. You've also indicated that
19 you have this independent design review. Could you
20 sort of tell me how this kind of procedure could ensure
21 that that sort of problem wouldn't occur in the future?

22 MR. TRICKOVIC: This particular slide shows
23 the mechanics of handling the design interface inputs.
24 It goes with the basic assumption that we receive a
25 specification drawing from either NSSS vendor, turbine

1 generator or other vendors.

2 DR. CATTON: Okay, and in this case you've
3 received some kind of a requirement for a scram discharge
4 drain system. Could you sort of walk me through there and
5 tell me where the things could go awry and what you've
6 done to change it?

7 MR. TRICKOVIC: The scram discharge problem --
8 do you wish to respond to that question?

9 DR. CATTON: Did Bechtel build any of the plants
10 that have that problem?

11 MR. TRICKOVIC: I don't believe so.

12 MR. SMITH: Dr. Catton, Al Smith from General
13 Electric. To my knowledge, that occurred on the TVA
14 projects which I do not believe were being built or
15 architect engineered by the Bechtel Corporation.

16 DR. PLESSET: But they had that problem with
17 other plants in addition to the Brown's Ferry. The same
18 problem. Brunswick was one.

19 DR. CATTON: Did Bechtel build Brunswick?

20 MR. TRICKOVIC: No, sir.

21 DR. EBERSOLE: Did Bechtel build any boilers?

22 DR. CATTON: Yes.

23 MR. TRICKOVIC: Yes.

24 DR. EBERSOLE: Then if they built any boilers,
25 they had the problem. I should have specified Mark I's.

1 MR. RICHARDSON: If I'm not mistaken, it only
2 involved about eleven plants. The Brown's Ferry plants
3 and then the earlier plants beyond that. It did involve
4 every boiler. From about the Hatch design on, I don't
5 think any plant had that problem. They had a tightly
6 coupled instrument volume and scram discharge volume.

7 DR. EBERSOLE: I believe you're right.

8 DR. CATTON: And Bechtel had nothing to do with
9 any of them.

10 MR. TRICKOVIC: I'm sorry, I couldn't tell you.

11 DR. CATTON: Okay.

12 MR. TRICKOVIC: Are you still interested in this
13 slide?

14 DR. CATTON: I'm interested in how something
15 like that might be picked up.

16 MR. TRICKOVIC: There are several steps that
17 take place. When a design input gets into our office
18 organization, it goes to our document control, gets
19 logged into this automated document control which is a
20 computerized system for tracking a piece of information
21 or a document through the various stages of review until
22 it finally leaves, leaves our office. It is logged in
23 and then passed onto the responsible engineer. I believe
24 I need to explain responsible engineer and in the perspective
25 of General Electric or NSSS, a mechanical discipline is a

1 coordinating discipline of NSSS interface. They have
2 several engineers who have responsibility for a group of
3 systems. Depending on the system that is in question,
4 he obtains the drawings, conducts the initial review and
5 sort of passes along that drawing with a coordinating
6 stamp fixed to it down to, down his discipline so that
7 everybody that might have interest and that's a piece of
8 information or a total information on that document, will
9 have a chance to review it.

10 At that time he initiates incorporation of
11 interface data into Bechtel calculations, specifications
12 or drawings as appropriate.

13 After the review within a discipline is completed,
14 he passes it along to electrical or instrumentation people.
15 A simple reason is, often on the bottom of the page there is
16 a little information about a power supply. It's an odd --
17 it's not 120 volts, it's 140 volts or something like. So
18 to make sure that the other disciplines are totally
19 informed about the new requirements or a change that's
20 coming in, we go through the same process. They review,
21 comment as appropriate and if there is a piece of information
22 that is essential to their work they will revise their
23 drawings, a schematic or a single line or a loop in the
24 case of -- a loop diagram in the case of our instrumentation
25 people, etc.

1 Finally it goes to the responsible engineer
2 again who affixes this stamp, adds the total number of
3 comments and through our document control ships it
4 back to General Electric or Alice Chalmers (ph) as a
5 turbine generator. Or, if we have activity one or two --
6 if we have activity one or two, that drawing gets issued
7 to the people that need that information -- start up,
8 Mississippi Power and Light, Bechtel Construction in
9 this specific case, etc.

10 DR. PLESSET: I think what Dr. Catton is trying
11 to get at is that there is a system like the discharge
12 scram system for which General Electric imposes certain
13 requirements, was not detailed by the architect engineer
14 but by a third organization and could that do without the
15 detailed check that one would ordinarily expect because
16 if it had received that kind of detailed check by the
17 architect engineer, it wouldn't have been built that way.
18 Is that your point?

19 DR. CATTON: Yes.

20 DR. PLESSET: To put it simply in blunt terms,
21 how do you prevent that kind of thing?

22 MR. TRICKOVIC: Well the --

23 DR. PLESSET: You don't design it. G.E. just
24 gives you requirements or --

25 DR. CATTON: G.E. gives the third party requirements.

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1 DR. PLESSET: If the third party meets them --
2 but in a way it won't work.

3 MR. TRICKOVIC: In our case, the third party
4 that would have designed and had designed that system
5 is reactor controls. We have incorporated G.E. requirements
6 in our specification.

7 DR. PLESSET: Yes, the specifications are one
8 thing but meeting them in a sensible way is the final test.
9 This was not done in that particular incidence.

10 DR. CATTON: And I've been looking for which
11 step in your procedures you would find that out.

12 MR. KOCHIS: This is Paul Kochis of Bechtel.
13 In the case of reactor controls with the G.E. requirements,
14 we require reactor controls to submit their design
15 document stress analysis, drawings, what have you, to us
16 and we treat that like a typical vendor piece of information.
17 We review their compliance to our specification which
18 includes the G.E. document and it receives again the
19 category one through five stamp and return to record
20 controls for their implementation if we don't feel they've
21 adequately met like G.E.'s requirements or our requirements
22 for that matter.

23 DR. PLESSET: It meets the requirements but it
24 may not be a good design.

25 MR. KOCHIS: That is part of our review process.

1 DR. PLESSET: You do review that?

2 MR. KOCHIS: We review their design for
3 implementation requirements plus we review it for --
4 if we consider it a solid design. If we don't consider it
5 a solid design, it's sent back to them and they
6 have to either revise their design or they have to satisfy
7 us that what they have done is in fact correct.

8 DR. CATTON: Do you actually do independent
9 calculations as suggested by Dr. Bush?

10 MR. TRICKOVIC: I don't believe that we have
11 gone to the extent of doing independent calculations.
12 However, we have on a sampling basis, reviewed some of
13 their calculations and there were a couple of instances
14 where we had found errors and made them go back and
15 redo them.

16 DR. ZUDANS: Does the project office maintain
17 a full contingent of technical capability to perform
18 such review as you described?

19 MR. TRICKOVIC: Our project --

20 DR. ZUDANS: That's right, that's what I
21 understood you do. In otherwords, if a control system
22 designs something, are you -- do you have enough staff
23 to review it? Do you have qualified personnel to review
24 that work technically?

25 MR. TRICKOVIC: I believe so.

1 DR. ZUDANS: I'm not quite sure.

2 DR. PLESSET: Let's go on if there are no further--
3 go ahead.

4 MR. TRICKOVIC: Thank you.

5 The final slide I have deals with the third
6 step of our interface control and deals with the interface
7 control verification. We have been subject to several
8 audits by our quality assurance, quality engineering
9 departments. We have been subject to several audits
10 by Mississippi Power and Light quality assurance organization.
11 I mentioned earlier that our thermal power organization
12 has performed an audit on us in 1978.

13 We have conducted interface review meetings
14 with General Electric. Mr. Smith had addressed that
15 earlier.

16 On top of all these programmatic things that
17 we do as a matter of a daily business -- in 1978 through
18 1980, our mechanical discipline who is a coordinating
19 discipline for NSSS contract, recognizing the complexities
20 and the magnitude of information involved, had conducted
21 a systematic review. This is a repeat of what we've done
22 at various stages of our design process. They have
23 performed checks, they have prepared check lists based on
24 G.E. design specifications and then gone back to our
25 design documents and made a one to one correspondence.

1 We have found it very useful. We do review
2 General Electric's FSAR sections. That's another source
3 of information of what G.E. is doing that might have
4 direct impact on our work. I have addressed the independent
5 design review by Cygna which I believe to be a more
6 significant perspective of this discussion than anything
7 that I have told you so far.

8 Finally, the results of our work, both
9 General Electric, Bechtel and all of the organizations
10 that have participated are shown during our systems
11 check out process and pre-operational testing.

12 I'd like to conclude my presentation and
13 answer any questions that you might have.

14 DR. PLESSET: Well, they've had their rash of
15 questions, I think. I realize it will interrupt the
16 continuity of this particular item. I was going to
17 suggest we have a break. I've received some requests for
18 this. So let's have a ten minute break.

19 (Whereupon, a ten minute recess was taken.)

20 DR. PLESSET: Let's reconvene and continue.

21 MR. RICHARDSON: Mr. Chairman, are you ready?

22 DR. PLESSET: Yes, please.

23 MR. RICHARDSON: Just to follow up on the
24 interface relationship, from MP&L's perspective, we've
25 been of course, actively involved in a project from day one

1 to among other things, ensure that that interface
2 relationship was good.

3 We were actively involved in the development of
4 and approved the project procedures manual that was
5 described by Mr. Trickovic which lays out very clearly
6 and very specifically what those interface relationships
7 are. And then during the critical phases of the project,
8 MP&L had monthly management meetings to resolve problems
9 and assure their proper interface.

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11 As was already mentioned, there have been
12 internal reviews and a review done by Cygna which we
13 feel assures us that the interface was quite good on
14 this project.

15 I'd like to mention very briefly another
16 mechanism which provided an excellent interface forum
17 and that was the Mark III owner's group. There have
18 been several owner's groups and you've heard about many,
19 I'm sure but there was one specifically developed and
20 organized because the Mark III was a new concept in a
21 design.

22 DR. PLESSET: Do you have a chairman for that
23 group to run the meeting? Or are the groups so small
24 there's no problem?

25 MR. RICHARDSON: No, there was always a chairman.

1 There was a rotating chairman between the utilities.

2 DR. PLESSET: I see.

3 MR. RICHARDSON: The Mark III owner's group
4 formed back in December of 1976 and it is basically
5 still under way and will continue until the NRC completes
6 the GESSAR Appendix 3B review. The purpose was, it was
7 a non-commercial group and what I mean by that was,
8 they weren't really going out and actively pursuing
9 doing some design type work or anything. They were
10 developed as a forum for information exchange on
11 containment related issues and the people who participated
12 in these meetings were utilities with Mark III containment,
13 AE's of Mark III containment utilities and then there was
14 international utility participation and of course, General
15 Electric participated quite heavily.

16 DR. PLESSET: What other AE's are involved
17 besides Bechtel?

18 MR. RICHARDSON: There's Bechtel and Grand
19 Gulf, there's Sargent and Lundy, Stone and Webster
20 and Gilbert. I think I got -- and Abasco, that's right.
21 Did I miss one? Gibbs and Hill.

22 DR. PLESSET: Each plant has it's own different
23 architect engineer?

24 MR. RICHARDSON: That's correct. Over it's six
25 years, we've essentially discussed every design related

1 containment issue, every load definition in GESSAR II
 2 Appendix 3B, SRV, LOCA, chugging, etc. The design impacts
 3 of GESSAR II load definitions were discussed quite heavily
 4 and of course there were even visits arranged through
 5 the group to the test facilities. I'd just like to add
 6 that the interface relationship that was discussed with
 7 you previously on the Grand Gulf project, from Bechtel
 8 and G.E., was discussed with the Mark III owner's group
 9 and they all pretty much agreed that it was generally
 10 handled the same way on their projects.

11 That's basically all I have to say unless you
 12 have any questions.

13 DR. PLESSET: Any questions of -- it seems not.
 14 Well, thank you.

15 I think now it's G.E.?

16 MR. McGAUGHY: Right, Mr. Cameron will discuss
 17 STRIDE.

18 MR. CAMERON: Again, I'm Charles Cameron with
 19 General Electric and I hope I can answer your questions
 20 that you previously had on the G.E. and C.F. Braun
 21 interface.

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23 G.E. and C.F. Braun, has had C.F. Braun as a
 24 contractor for the architect engineering work as I stated
 25 previously for the STRIDE Project. And what G.E. provides

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1 to Braun is similar to and to a great extent to what is
2 provided to other utilities and architect engineers in
3 that they get those same general design and interface
4 documents, the A62 and A42 documents and they also get
5 the same NSSS system design specs and a lot of these
6 A62 document requirements are then imposed -- well,
7 expanded upon and imposed in another set of requirements
8 that are strictly for the STRIDE design which is the
9 interface between G.E. and Braun, in that we have these
10 balance of nuclear island specs. So that part of the
11 nuclear island that's beyond the NSSS has specific
12 specifications that are provided to Braun.

13 Examples of those would be in the area of,
14 for instance, containment structural and configuration
15 specifications. Where as an A62 requirement, the A62
16 containment specs may just define phenomenological
17 type requirements whereas the actual balance of nuclear
18 island specs would have specific requirements on the
19 configuration, the lay out and also the fact that it
20 would be a free standing steel containment for instance.
21 So again, this whole other set of specifications that we
22 provide to Braun is to allow G.E. to closely control
23 the design.

24 Now, the last part of that bullet is that the
25 design requirements or the design bases plus the specific

1 design of the containment and associated systems are
2 shown in GESSAR as part of the licensing basis.

3 The process itself is one in which instead of
4 just a controlled communication system, we have very
5 controlled management of the job in the STRIDE scope
6 through a dedicated STRIDE project organization at General
7 Electric, so that way the G.E. engineering group has
8 direct input to the contractor, C.F. Braun.

9 G.E. winds up reviewing and approving C.F. Braun's
10 document prior to their release for construction or for
11 fabrication. And in many cases, we wind up with an
12 iterative design where G.E. engineering has gone and
13 iterated with C.F. Braun engineering to get to the point
14 where they both agree that they have an adequate design.

15 Changes as far as document changes go, design
16 changes required, wind up being implemented either by
17 the engineering changes implemented, either by G.E. or
18 C.F. Braun depending on who has that scope of the job.
19 And then, in answer to one of your questions earlier,
20 G.E. and also TVA when they were into it would audit
21 and G.E. continues to audit the C.F. Braun design and
22 especially the design process to assure that we wind up
23 with a workable design. So the bottom line here is that
24 G.E. does wind up with considerably more control over the
25 STRIDE design, instead of just providing interface requirements.

1 That was short and sweet. Do you have any
2 questions?

3 DR. EBERSOLE: I have a sort of a little route
4 rationale question that I'd like to have you talk about.
5 The Mark III containment introduces something I think
6 that's novel to the business as far as I know. It
7 introduces the idea of large vessels now subject to
8 quite significant negative pressure loads. I don't know
9 of any code requirements for validating the performance
10 of these things in the negative mode. We ritualistically
11 go through test requirements, ASME requirements approving
12 positive loads presumably to prevent catastrophic mal-
13 performance. We can have equivalently mal-performance
14 in negative modes. What is the rationale -- and I guess
15 I could ask Dr. Bush to comment on this, too, where one
16 is progressively developing designs that employ substantial
17 negative pressure loads with the attendant buckling
18 performance without any significant physical test of such
19 vessels.

20 MR. CAMERON: Well, I'm not really prepared to
21 answer that. If one of my technical people would like
22 to address that, that would be fine.

23 DR. BUSH: In the interim, the code does address
24 this because after all, any vacuum -- any vessel that has
25 a vacuum in it has exactly these conditions.

1 DR. EBERSOLE: Well, what about the tests on
2 this? Do you consider them adequate, Dr. Bush? What
3 are the tests, by the way, that you pull on these
4 vessels?

5 MR. CAMERON: What are the tests -- like I say --

6 MR. TOWNSEND: Well first, Dr. Ebersole, I
7 would say the only vessel that is subjected to a substantial
8 negative pressure is the drywell.

9 DR. EBERSOLE: Yes.

10 MR. TOWNSEND: And it's an extremely massive
11 structure. To my knowledge, there is no large vacuum
12 test of that vessel, however.

13 DR. EBERSOLE: You don't test the structure.
14 It's a little bit like the old partition wall.

15 MR. TOWNSEND: We do the positive pressure test
16 but I don't think there is a negative pressure test
17 specified.

18 DR. EBERSOLE: Do you seal the weir area when
19 you do that?

20 MR. TOWNSEND: The positive test you're talking
21 about?

22 DR. EBERSOLE: Yes. Right.

23 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, it has to be.

24 MR. McGAUGHY: When the vents are delivered,
25 the vent sections are manufactured I guess, different plants

1 do it different ways. Ours is all steel. It comes as
2 a fabricated section with three rows of vents in each
3 section and there are caps on the vents and then after
4 the pressure test of the dry well, the caps are cut off.

5 DR. EBERSOLE: So you do a pressure test
6 with caps in place.

7 MR. McGAUGHY: A pressure test with caps in
8 place, that's correct.

9 DR. EBERSOLE: The old containments, they usually
10 never did test them at all. So far as I can recall. But
11 are we in consensus then that we don't need to test in
12 the negative mode against the kind of vessels. This is
13 a steel vessel, this drywell, right?

14 MR. McGAUGHY: No, it's concrete.

15 DR. EBERSOLE: Oh sorry, concrete. Are
16 any of them steel?

17 DR. PLESSET: Yes.

18 DR. EBERSOLE: All right, what about the steel?

19 MR. McGAUGHY: No, no, the drywell.

20 DR. EBERSOLE: All the drywells --

21 DR. PLESSET: Yes.

22 DR. EBERSOLE: Are structural concrete?

23 MR. McGAUGHY: Ours is. I think they all are.

24 DR. EBERSOLE: We really just invoke then the
25 physical characterization of the building to argue. We don't

1 need to test it.

2 DR. PLESSET: I think in the containment itself,
3 there are some of those that are steel.

4 MR. McGAUGHY: Yes.

5 DR. EBERSOLE: Right.

6 MR. CAMERON: Free standing steel.

7 DR. PLESSET: Free standing steel.

8 DR. EBERSOLE: Okay, well, thank you.

9 DR. ZUDANS: And from previous conversation,
10 we were told that the maximum negative pressure you can
11 develop on containment is like 1/2 of PSI.

12 DR. EBERSOLE: It's some 20 --

13 DR. ZUDANS: There's really no problem. The
14 bigger problems are, for example, an ice condenser. And
15 all of these things are dealt with by the ASME code very
16 accurately. There are lots of tests on small vessels
17 but you can't conceive the test containment for external
18 pressure.

19 DR. EBERSOLE: Could we feel confident that the
20 penetrations would take the negative load very well in
21 these concrete structure without testing? You have
22 tested in the positive direction, right?

23 MR. McGAUGHY: Yes.

24 DR. EBERSOLE: But not in the negative.

25 MR. McGAUGHY: Not in the negative, right.

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1 DR. EBERSOLE: Well, I guess I'll just sort of
2 think on that. Thank you.

3 MR. CAMERON: Thank you. Are there any other
4 interface questions?

5 DR. PLESSET: I don't think so.

6 MR. CAMERON: We'll have Glen Sherwood now make
7 a few closing comments.

8 MR. SHERWOOD: I'm not closing, I'm just making
9 a few summary comments for General Electric.

10 We recognize that you were here yesterday and
11 today to look into essentially two areas, one of interfaces
12 and the other is design issues. I won't say anything more
13 about the interfaces. We hope that we've answered a number
14 of your questions. What I'd like to do is spend a couple
15 of minutes talking about four things. What we're doing
16 to support the owners as well as on GESSAR, how we view
17 the Humphrey issues and how we think that the Humphrey
18 Issues should be handled.

19 First of all, as you well know from the meetings
20 of yesterday and today, we are spending a fairly sizeable
21 amount of effort supporting Grand Gulf and we feel that
22 obviously that's the right priority.

23 In addition, we've had meetings with the Mark II
24 owners and also a smaller but necessarily, but at least
25 the first meeting with the Mark -- so Mark I owners on these

1 issues as took place in the last few weeks. In addition,
2 all of you know, I believe, that the Staff has now issued
3 letters to various hearing boards and the Mark I and Mark II
4 owners requesting action plans some 14 days -- some even
5 7 days on these issues.

6 On the face of it, all of this pretends a
7 tremendous amount of work. I don't think that the Staff
8 and I hope the ACRS doesn't really intend this to be the
9 case and I wanted to chat a little bit about that.
10 Certainly I hope that we all collectively don't want to
11 reopen many many huge containment test evaluation programs.
12 At least we don't think that they're warranted.

13 Now, in terms of how we view the process and
14 the issues, I think you all recognize from our presentations
15 yesterday that these issues were brought out as part of
16 the normal G.E. design process. Our aggregation of these
17 is a little bit different than there is today but in
18 general, we were involved in all of these although some
19 of them we had already decided needed no further work.
20 Probably the most -- the best example of one where this
21 agreement may not be also shared by the Staff yet is
22 with encroachments. I'd like to discuss that again in
23 a second.

24 Many have said and I think the Staff stated
25 this themselves and I'm sure agree with us, that these are

1 not safety issues but if they're not safety issues, well,
2 what are they?

3 Well, we believe that they are design issues
4 and as Mr. Townsend said from the point of view of the
5 margin that we have in pressure in the containment, both
6 temperature as well as ASME code, that these are well
7 within the design limits of the Mark III.

8 Nevertheless, we recognize that the burden
9 is on us to show that these are second order effects,
10 and we indeed are working with Mississippi Power and Light
11 and with the staff to try to do that. However, we ask
12 and urge that there be some engineering judgement also
13 applied to this because I think as you all know, that
14 in work from the laboratory or from wherever you come
15 that chasing 1% and 2% effects especially if you require
16 systematic deterministic final analysis to show that those
17 are 1% or 2% effects, they're very difficult to do as
18 you all know. And therefore, we really hope that there
19 will be moderation on the part of the Staff and hopefully
20 that the ACRS will concur with this, that these are design
21 issues, not safety issues and indeed, most of them appear
22 to be second order issues and I think hopefully working
23 together we can conclude that these are indeed in that
24 category.

25 What we would like to recommend, we don't have this

1 totally worked out with all of our customers -- what we'd
2 like to recommend is a process for doing this, is one
3 that wherein the basic Grand Gulf and GESSAR documentation
4 over the next several months would act then as the basic
5 package to close out these so-called Humphrey Issues at
6 least on a generic basis, and then the rest of the projects,
7 the Mark III, Mark II and Mark I would not repeat the total
8 process that we're going through now, but would only
9 reference the Grand Gulf and GESSAR submittal and then they
10 would take exception as necessary because obviously we
11 have different designs with the Mark III's, at least in
12 detail and of course, fairly substantial different designs
13 on Mark I and II.

14 Again, we recommend that we not have a project
15 by project examination of each of one of these issues
16 in detail and so, my point is today to is such that we
17 might make, reach agreement on that with the Staff and
18 hopefully get endorsement by the committee.

19 I guess mine is somewhat a plea for moderation
20 on this. As you all know, the ACRS, the committee, as well
21 as the NRC has a tremendous number of things that we're
22 doing in starting up projects, getting submittals for FSARs
23 and Atlas designs and so forth. So I hope that you all
24 recognize that everything can't be a priority one and
25 so what we're working hard to do is to show what the priority

1 is and then work these off diligently on the Grand Gulf
2 and GESSAR projects.

3 This summarizes my few remarks. If there are
4 no questions, we'll go on then to the Clinton and Perry
5 presentations.

6 DR. PLESSET: I don't see any questions, Dr.
7 Sherwood.

8 MR. SHERWOOD: Thank you.

9 DR. PLESSET: Thank you. I might prepare the
10 people up at this table, I'm going to ask them for
11 comments on this situation after we hear from Mr. Humphrey
12 who is going to make a brief presentation to us. Note,
13 I said brief, regarding a requirement on us to make some
14 kind of recommendation to the Grand Gulf Subcommittee
15 first and second, to the full committee regarding these
16 questions, so you might think about it in the back of
17 your minds while he makes a presentation. With that,
18 I'll ask Mr. Humphrey, do you want to make a few remarks?

19 MR. HUMPHREY: Yes, thank you very much,
20 Mr. Chairman.

21 I don't have any slides so I'll just turn that
22 off and I'll try to make this very short. I know people
23 have probably had a long morning and people are probably
24 getting a little hungry.

25 I said in my opening remarks that I thought an

1 understanding of these interfaces was a key to a successful
2 and well integrated containment design and I feel that this
3 meeting has made a lot of progress in that area. I think
4 that we've made progress both in understanding the various
5 issues that have been raised and also progress in helping
6 to quantify some of the margins that exist in design and
7 I would concur with Hal that there are a lot of margins.
8 I think that we do a very good job in designing nuclear
9 plants and we put substantial margins into those designs
10 but with good reason.

11 I was impressed by the thoroughness of the program
12 that MP&L has come up with. I think they're trying to
13 really grab ahold of these issues and wrestle them to the
14 ground and I think it's very responsive and I think that's
15 going to make a lot of progress in terms of resolving
16 these issues. I think really some progress has already
17 been made. As I understood, there's some changes or
18 potential changes that have already been discussed and
19 one of them I understood that 2PSI negative tech spec
20 is going to be changed. That covers a number of issues;
21 it's the problem of clearing before scram, leakage through
22 the wall. Even if you didn't clear you would start at
23 say a -2PSI and you don't scram until 2 so that would give
24 4PSI for it to pressurize the drywell and therefore a
25 higher temperature at scram, so changing that tech spec and

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1 getting closer to initial OPSIG really addresses a number
2 of issues that I raised.

3 Another one is restricting steam condensing mode
4 until the issues of clearing through this RHR relief line
5 have been properly evaluated and I think that's a very
6 positive step in the interim to basically set that concern
7 aside and not let it impact plant operation. I want to
8 bring up a couple of points here. Now here, I'm going to
9 maybe be a trouble maker again and I apologize for this
10 but I'm doing this honestly. This whole process has been
11 an attempt to play a constructive role. In engineering
12 they don't teach us Politics 101 and if I've been a little
13 clumsy, I apologize but my whole thrust has been to
14 raise what I thought were significant technical issues
15 so that the competent people in the industry can evaluate
16 them for applicability to their individual plant.

17 I think Sam, where's Sam -- you presented
18 yesterday, on this particular issue, you showed that
19 Grand Gulf has a two inch line feeding into ten inch
20 relief line with a couple of valves and I understood
21 the idea here is when you go into steam condensing that
22 these lines -- obviously people have pointed out -- it's
23 a little tricky getting into steam condensing, feeding
24 raw steam into a heat exchanger and I understood that
25 these then help promote an easy transition from maybe pool

1 cooling into steam condensing and potentially it was
2 brought out that if these were open and steam was bleeding
3 into the pool, then if the relief valve lifted, you wouldn't
4 have a water clearing transient. That's certainly a positive
5 effect. But something hit me when I saw those. It said
6 I got a two inch line feeding into a ten inch line. That's
7 a straight pipe now, terminating in the pool. It doesn't
8 have a quencher on it. It doesn't have holes in it.
9 Now this isn't in a failure mode. This would be every time
10 as I understood what you said -- every time you go into
11 steam condensing, you you potentially would be bleeding
12 steam through that line. Well now, that steam is going
13 to produce loads in the pool and the point was brought up
14 that it may be there's enough steam flow to keep the line
15 clear. Whatever mass flux is going through that line
16 depending on the pressure and the heat exchanger, it will
17 start out with a high air content because it's going to
18 be bleeding the line and potentially the heat exchanger
19 and of course there's a variety of pool temperatures. It
20 could be a cold pool, it could be a relatively warm pool
21 that you're looking at and maybe it will start out stably
22 with some kind of a CO based on the size of that pipe,
23 but if it's only a two inch line, your initial guess is
24 that you could enter a regime where you go into a chugging
25 mode where the flow is so low that ten inches is a bigger

1 exit than is needed to condense that flow and really,
2 that's what chugging load is, it says mass flux and the
3 required area is less than the area of the pipe and so it
4 comes out and condenses and goes back up in the line
5 so just as a part of normal operation, I may have missed
6 it but I wasn't aware that we had that provision in
7 the standard RHR. I didn't get into enough of the details
8 but that's something to check, whether STRIDE has these
9 two inch bleed lines. I talked to Mike Mitchell about
10 the design, but of course, it was his responsibility, not
11 mine, but I thought I picked up all that and I thought
12 I would have seen those but maybe I didn't, so there's
13 a thing that one, has some benefits but it's a Catch-22.
14 You've got to watch that maybe this two inch bleed line
15 is going to create a situation where you're sitting there
16 in steam condensing, chugging at the end of that vent.
17 So, I just raised this for you know, trying to be helpful,
18 but here's something that you might want to look at.
19 Hal's chuckling.

20 Okay, I also was impressed with G.E.'s approach.
21 I think you guys have taken the bull by the horns in
22 trying to wrestle these things to the ground and I think
23 that's a very positive approach.

24 One of the things that I wanted to point out,
25 this issue of, you turn the sprays on, you reduce the pressure

1 in the containment. It opens the vacuum breaker, it
2 reduces the pressure in the shield building. Okay, that's
3 one we've been wrestling with for awhile, one of the issues
4 that I raised.

5 As I understood the tentative response was
6 to put some kind of vacuum breakers on the shield building
7 so that you preclude getting a large negative pressure
8 in the shield building. Isn't that what I heard? Okay,
9 well, now that's got some advantages but it's got
10 some disadvantages and I want to point out some interfaces,
11 again, just off the top of my head that occurred to me.
12 First of all, as a little bit of an aside, it was stated
13 that the negative pressure differential across the
14 containment wall is typical of a couple of 10ths of a PSI.
15 Well, number one, the vacuum breakers don't even open until
16 .2 of a PSI so that's where you start the restoration
17 process. I don't know if you -- you might talk to
18 Doug. Doug, you and Yar, you know, might show Hal some
19 of those calculations. Yar was into a lot of detail
20 looking at those negative pressure transients. In fact,
21 I thought some of those have even been shown in the owners
22 group. Maybe it's still preliminary, and internal, but
23 under low humidity conditions and/or high temperature
24 conditions and/or cold service water conditions, we're
25 getting negative pressures across that containment shell

1 substantially in excess of .2, in fact, pushing .8 and .8
2 is the design value. Dr. Ebersole, you talked about buckling.
3 Here is a case -- there are conditions that push that limit
4 and of course there's no testing of what the shell can
5 actually stand and there's code allowables for cylindrical
6 shells and so forth.

7 So there are cases where you can push this .8
8 limit but one of the key things as was brought out, well,
9 gee, if you turn on the sprays, you can crank the contain-
10 ment pressure down a couple of PSI and the response is
11 why doesn't it collapse the containment shell, then.

12 The reason it doesn't collapse the containment
13 shell is because the vacuum breakers on the containment
14 are relatively large and they can feed air into the
15 containment fast enough so that the two pressures track
16 each other so that you start out and get a negative
17 pressure. When you get to .2, it triggers the butterfly.
18 The butterfly takes a minimum of 10 seconds to open fully
19 and so then the shield pressure starts to chase the
20 containment pressure and they go roaring on down, maybe
21 a couple of PSI. Certainly I've seen transients that
22 go like a PSI and a half, and then asymptotically come
23 together and it's this differential pressure as they're
24 going down that you're worried about. You know, they
25 both go down to a PSI and a half. Those analyses were done

1 assuming little or no leakage into the shield building.
2 Namely the shield building can chase the containment
3 pressure because, stick vacuum breakers on the shield
4 building and try to -- you know, that are big enough to
5 minimize the shield pressure if you don't want it to go down
6 to a couple of PSI, then you're going to try to hold it
7 up and now the containment pressure is going to roar on
8 down and instead of getting this where they follow each
9 other minimizing this delta P, get yourself in a situation
10 where in order to minimize the negative pressure on the
11 containment, I mean on the shield building for maybe
12 due to structural or equipment considerations, you've
13 got yourself in a mode where the negative pressure in
14 the containment won't be any worse but the differential
15 across the wall could under some conditions be worse and
16 potentially exceed this .8 of a PSI, so be a little careful
17 there. You know, there's one interface that you might
18 want to look into.

19 Another one is that the vacuum breakers on
20 the containment very carefully go out through the shield
21 building and back into the shield annulus. There are no
22 valves outside the shield building, therefore all leakage
23 from primary containment goes into secondary containment
24 which is a controlled area for the stand-by gas treatment
25 system. There's no direct by-pass to the environment. In

1 fact, if I remember the work that Ned Horton did, the
2 calculated leakage through those vacuum breakers was one
3 of the largest sources of predicted leakage in the entire
4 containment. It made up, you now, just those two valves
5 made up a very substantial fraction. So now, if you're
6 going to add valves to the shield building, do you go
7 from shield building to the environ (ph) and if so, you've
8 added another by-pass leakage path unfiltered and unprocessed
9 that needs to be looked at. And if you go from the shield
10 building to the auxiliary building, now you've just added
11 really a complex design where you depressurize the contain-
12 ment, you pull down the shield building, it pops the vacuum
13 breakers into the auxiliary building and start pulling
14 it down, and now with the containment that's got 1.4 million
15 cubic feet, that's not negligible. Something's going to
16 pull it a couple of PSI -- you could pull down a couple
17 of million cubic foot building, some fraction of a PSI and
18 it's probably less capable of withstanding negative
19 pressure than this great big thick shield building that's
20 designed for telephone pole impacts and airplane crashes
21 and everything else. So again, you may be creating --
22 you solve one problem and maybe creating another problem.

23 The last point in here that you might want to
24 consider and I didn't bring up as an issue but something
25 to keep in the back of our minds, when you pop the vacuum

1 breakers, you draw air into the containment. Well, now
2 you've increased the initial air mass in the containment,
3 so if you're in a mode where you've got the recombiners
4 on, you've got low relative humidity and you turn on the
5 sprays -- of course you have the mixers on so you pre-charge
6 the drywell with air, and now you drive the pressure down
7 on the containment, open the vacuum breakers, you draw
8 air mass into the containment and then when everything
9 closes and the sprays turn off and things come back up
10 again, you got more non-condensables in there than you
11 started with, and of course, the containment's a leak
12 type barrier -- what 2% a day -- no, less than that, 1%
13 a day so the air's not going to get out. Now you
14 aggravate that problem by putting vacuum breakers on the
15 shield building. It pulls both the shield building
16 and the containment down together -- you're going to get
17 less air flow and if you have some nice large vacuum
18 breakers in the shield building that keep the shield building
19 and 14.7, it says you keep those sprays running, it will
20 come down in the containment and then she'll come right
21 back up to 14.7 because the air will keep coming into
22 the shield building. It will come into the containment.
23 If you have cold spray -- say you've got -- you happened
24 to be lucky and you got 60° service water going that day,
25 you could have some pretty cold spray, cool the whole thing

1 off and you've got to pull all this extra air in, okay?
2 Now true, as long as the sprays keep running, I think
3 we'll be able to control containment pressure, but then
4 this brings you back how often they would cycle and whether
5 or not 9PSI would control it. So here we go again. It's
6 a very inter-related system, okay? And you've got a problem
7 and the initial solution is gee, we'll do this but you've
8 got to think of all the little nooks and crannies that
9 you can get into so that you don't create another problem
10 by doing something else.

11 These are just some thoughts off the top of
12 my head. You know, you may have already looked at them
13 but these are things that I thought, you know, maybe
14 should be considered in making a design change like that.

15 Finally, I guess on an optimistic note, as a
16 veteran of the Mark I short-term program, really I was
17 in your shoes six years ago defending issues that had
18 been raised and demonstrating. We were very successful
19 in demonstrating that the safety -- adequate safety
20 margins were maintained and listening to the presentations
21 that MP&L and G.E. has made, I'm personally optimistic
22 that the results of that effort are going to be
23 sufficient so that it will provide a sufficient level
24 of confidence so it won't impact the licensing process.
25 And honestly, that's my desire and I know that it's the

1 desire of everybody in the room, so with that, I want to
2 conclude and I want to thank the ACRS for inviting me
3 here. Dr. Plesset, I certainly appreciate it and Paul,
4 I want to thank Paul for all the hard work he's done in
5 interfacing with me and helping me out in so many areas.
6 So thank you again very much.

7 DR. ZUDANS: Mr. Chairman, I would like to ask a
8 question.

9 MR. HUMPHREY: Yes, of course.

10 DR. ZUDANS: Either I am wrong or I detected
11 a fallacy in your argument --

12 DR. PLESSET: It's brief, I hope.

13 DR. ZUDANS: Yes, when you said when the vacuum
14 breakers out in the container building, and the shield
15 building does not have vacuum breakers, the pressure in
16 both will track each other essentially with a small
17 differential required to keep the vacuum breakers open.
18 That's the part of the argument. Let's take that as true.

19 Now, you add -- you say that you add the vacuum
20 breakers in the shield building and that will no longer
21 be the case. Why not?

22 MR. HUMPHREY: Because, let's assume we have
23 large vacuum breakers. If I punch a ten foot hole in
24 the building, the shield building will stay at 14.7.

25 DR. ZUDANS: And so will the containment building.

1 MR. HUMPHREY: The containment building will be
2 limited by the flow that you can get through the containment
3 vacuum breaker.

4 DR. ZUDANS: That's the point. If that flow
5 rate through the vacuum breakers versus the speed at which
6 the pressure drops in the containment due to condensation
7 is the critical factor and you properly size the vacuum
8 breakers -- you either track both pressures or else the
9 pressure will stay at the outside pressure everywhere.

10 MR. HUMPHREY: Let me grab a blank flimsy and
11 I think I can show this real easy.

12 (Slide)

13 The kind of analyses that we had done so far
14 start out at some containment pressure and let's assume
15 the shield pressure is the same, and then you get -- the
16 spray comes on and the containment pressure starts to
17 drop. Well, what typically happens after a few seconds
18 then -- the vacuum breaker is open and that this pressure
19 then starts to fall also. So you get a transient then
20 that looks something like this. The two then come down
21 and asymptotically come together. Well, at any point in
22 time, it's only this pressure difference that's important.
23 It says what is the pressure difference across the contain-
24 ment shell. Now, these analyses were done -- we've looked
25 at the effect of leakage but of course, leakage could be

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1 relatively small. If now we say we have a large vacuum
2 breaker on the shield building -- let's say you know, just
3 say infinite okay, so that the shield building pressure
4 will stay here at 14.7. Now this pressure is going to
5 change also -- naturally, square the delta P as you start
6 to come down here and this opens up, that this is going to
7 come down more slowly. Certainly, because with a larger
8 pressure difference now between the shield building and
9 the containment, you'll get more flow rate, that will
10 try to fight the cooling and condensation effects of
11 the spray, but this pressure difference will be larger.

12 DR. ZUDANS: Well, but what I'm saying is, by
13 proper design and sizing of vacuum breakers you may not
14 increase that pressure drop. You can design it to be
15 exactly the same as before. There's no reason for it.

16 MR. HUMPHREY: The containment vacuum breakers
17 exist, okay, and I believe we can show it analytically
18 that any increase in this curve in the shield building
19 will increase the maximum delta P. Now you're right, it
20 may not be significant. That may not exceed .8.

21 DR. ZUDANS: If the vacuum breakers are not
22 adequate to feed air fast enough to reduce the increase
23 in the pressure, that's a different issue, but in general,
24 you cannot make that this is a general problem. A plant
25 specifically might exist like that. It's okay.

1 MR. HUMPHREY: Why don't we talk after -- that
2 might be good.

3 The point I wanted to make is that there are
4 a number of interfaces here that need to be looked and
5 whatever, there's one of them that you might want to address.

6 DR. PLESSET: Well, I think we'll recess for
7 lunch so let's return a little before 1:00 p.m.

8 (Whereupon, at 11:55 a.m., the meeting was
9 recessed, to reconvene at 1:00 p.m., this same day,
10 July 30, 1982, in the same place.)

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A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N

1:05 P.M.

DR. PLESSET: Let's reconvene and the next item on our agenda is a presentation from Illinois Power so if they will proceed. Are they ready? Yes. All right.

MR. KANT: Good afternoon. My name is Eric Kant and I'm representing Illinois Power in these proceedings.

(Slide Presentation)

Please excuse the quality of my slides. They're not what you're used to seeing but I think they'll help in presenting what I have to say. Our initial involvement with the Humphrey Concerns started in the May 27th meeting in Bethesda during which John discussed some of his concerns with us and MP&L presented their first response to the issues and after that meeting, we received the transcript of the proceedings and went to work reviewing them and the applicability to our plant.

On June 23rd, we received a letter from Mr. Bernard requesting submittal of a program to address these issues for our plant. On July 6, we responded to that letter indicating that we were pursuing forming an owner's group with the other Mark III people to address these concerns as generically as possible. We would be participating in a meeting July 22nd with Mr. Humphrey to further understand the issues and there have been some

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1 additional issues that we had a chance to look at at
2 that time also.

3 The final item was that we were going to participate
4 in this meeting to again get a better understanding of
5 what some of the concerns were and be in a better position
6 to respond to them.

7 Based on the participating in those activities,
8 we agreed to provide a complete program by mid-August.

9 We feel at this point the majority of the work
10 to address these concerns can be done generically and
11 we intend to do it in that manner. Additional plant
12 specific analysis is to be done by Sargent and Lundy.
13 Current estimates indicate that we can complete this
14 work in the first quarter of 1983.

15 We'd like to improve on that but I'm not in
16 a position to make that commitment at this time.

17 A summary of the perspective that we have
18 on these issues at this time is that the design margins
19 are very large for Clinton and the other containment.
20 We have a 95PSI ultimate containment pressure. CPS is
21 a smaller reactor than some of the others and essentially
22 the same size containment and as a result of this, the
23 analysis being done will most likely bound us also.

24 We concur with the evaluation presented by
25 General Electric and MP&L that the affects are second order

1 effects, that these issues do not present a significant
2 safety impact to the Mark III design.

3 That concludes my discussion this afternoon.
4 Are there any questions or comments that I can address?

5 DR. SCHROCK: Will Sargent and Lundy do pool
6 dynamic calculations for you or is that in the generic
7 group?

8 MR. KANT: Sargent and Lundy will be doing the
9 load applications, right. The pool dynamics load calcula-
10 tions. That's absolutely correct.

11 DR. PLESSET: Any other questions of Mr. Kant?
12 I guess not. Thank you.

13 MR. KANT: Thank you.

14 DR. PLESSET: I think we're going to have a
15 presentation by Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company.
16 Mr. Pender, I believe?

17 MR. PENDER: Yes. My name is Richard Pender.
18 I am the lead engineer in charge of mechanical design on
19 Perry.

20 (Slide Presentation)

21 Instead of boring everyone with yet another
22 chronological history of the Humphrey Issues, I think
23 it would suffice to say that Perry has been following the,
24 actively following the issues since they were first
25 identified in a letter from MP&L -- from Mr. Humphrey to

1 MP&L dated May 8. A meeting was held with the Staff on
2 June 17th to discuss Perry's preliminary evaluation of
3 the issues. We have categorized those issues into
4 generic and non-generic issues. Approximately 2/3rds of
5 the issues are generic in nature and Perry will be working
6 with the owners groups on these issues. The remaining
7 one third are either plant specific or not applicable to
8 Perry. For those issues that are applicable to Perry,
9 we are presently performing in-house evaluation and
10 analysis as necessary to close them out.

11 With regards to our schedule, we will be
12 formally submitting our program to the Staff the first
13 week of September. This program will be similar to the
14 format of the program submitted by MP&L and will define
15 the action to be taken by Perry in closing out both
16 generic and plant unique issues.

17 In conclusion, we feel that our program is
18 consistent with our licensing schedule and we anticipate
19 a completion date during the first quarter of 1983.
20 We fully expect that these issues that are applicable to
21 Perry will be closed out prior to our fuel load.

22 Are there any questions?

23 DR. PLESSET: Who was the architect engineer
24 on this plant?

25 MR. PENDER: Gilbert and Associates.

24

1 DR. PLESSET: Yes, thank you. Any questions
2 of Mr. Pender.

3 DR. SCHROCK: MP&L relied almost exclusively
4 on G.E. analysis codes. Are you going to do the same
5 so that it will be essentially a carbon copy of their
6 answers to the resolution of the problem?

7 MR. PENDER: Those generic issues that are
8 applicable to MP&L and us, we will be relying on the G.E.
9 analysis.

10 DR. SCHROCK: Yes, but even plant specific --
11 will they be analyzed --

12 MR. PENDER: No our plant specific will be done
13 by Gilbert and Associates.

14 DR. PLESSET: Okay, any other questions?

15 DR. BUSH: One that is not necessarily just
16 Perry. I understand in some of the hand-outs that there
17 was a joint meeting the 20th of July about or what was it?

18 MR. KUDRICK: The 22nd.

19 DR. BUSH: The 22nd of July and I have been
20 listening to see if there was anything productive that
21 came out of that meeting. I don't believe I've heard
22 anything. Was it just a kind of discussion of issues
23 or what was the situation?

24 MR. PENDER: I think that meeting, the one you're
25 referring to was just a meeting of all the utilities and

1 Mr. Kudrick to discuss exactly what we planned on doing
2 with regards to an owner's group, forming an owner's group.

3 DR. BUSH: So it was really just a sitting down
4 of the --

5 MR. PENDER: It was a kick-off meeting basically.

6 DR. BUSH: That answers my question. Thank you.

7 DR. PLESSET: Since there are no other questions,
8 thank you again.

9 MR. PENDER: Thank you.

10 DR. PLESSET: Well, we're a little early but
11 we do have schedules of discussion and I would like to
12 lead it off. I'm going to call on the other members and
13 consultants to express an opinion here and I might say
14 that my remarks are directed primarily at Dr. Butler,
15 Jack Kudrick and Mel Fields because I think that's the
16 place where they might best fit.

17 You may -- I'm sure they know, but the rest
18 of you may not appreciate that the ACRS letter report to
19 the Commissioners on Grand Gulf talks about a low power
20 license and they gave approval for this, and for Clinton
21 and Perry they gave full power approval. Now, the
22 reason I think that Grand Gulf got the low power approval
23 in our report, was primarily it was the first plant that
24 came in and there was still some concern on the part of
25 some of the members that the impact loads on the HCU floor

1 had not been proven acceptable as far as the integrity
2 of that unit. I think since that time there is a little
3 better understanding of this and I think that now it
4 would be most likely accepted by the Committee, so that
5 in a sense, those plants are all pretty much on an equal
6 footing.

7 Then of course now, we've had the concerns
8 raised by Mr. Humphrey and the question is, would this
9 change the view of the -- first the Grand Gulf subcommittee
10 and second, the view of the full committee? And I think
11 that what this subcommittee can do is forward it's
12 views to both of those -- the Grand Gulf subcommittee
13 and to the full committee.

14 Now I'm going to call on the others for their
15 opinions but not to influence them, give my own first.

16 My feeling is, that I see no reason why these
17 plants and Grand Gulf in particular cannot go ahead and
18 receive a full power operating license. There is nothing
19 that's come forward since the reports that I mentioned have
20 been prepared that would change my view on this question.

21 Now, it's true that there were some concerns
22 raised by Mr. Humphrey that have occupied the Staff and
23 the applicant. For example, things like encroachment.
24 I'm very optimistic about that. I don't think it's going
25 to make any difference to the safety of the plant, but

1 that's just an optimistic forecast. I'm sure that the
2 Staff will investigate this. And in my view, recommending
3 that Grand Gulf in particular get a full power license
4 doesn't mean that the Staff won't do some more work. I
5 am sure they will but like other items in an application,
6 there are usually many points, some of them generic that
7 they have to straighten out to their own satisfaction.
8 They have a responsibility in that direction and I don't
9 see where there's anything new which really changes
10 this picture. Maybe it's painted on a little broader
11 horizon, but that to me is not a particularly essential
12 item. So that's my view. I would recommend that the
13 Grand Gulf subcommittee and the full committee accept
14 this situation and proceed as usual with the licensing
15 of the plant. We've already done that for Perry and Clinton.
16 It's just a matter of Grand Gulf and that's a relatively
17 small step in my mind from the 4% approval to the full
18 power.

19 Now, there's a spectrum of people up here
20 and they may give you other views so let me go down the
21 table. Spence, would you like to --

22 DR. BUSH: Sure. Dr. Plesset knows that I don't
23 influence that easily so his prior comments haven't really
24 introduced a bias since I've already written my comments.

25 I would hope that the issues could be resolved

1 generically rather than case by case for a variety of
2 reasons, certainly Staff load and I think also as you
3 see in the tenor of my remarks, I don't consider them
4 as having that major an impact that we need to overload
5 the industry.

6 With regard to a degradation of safety function
7 which I think is the important thing, I see no significant
8 losses in the Grand Gulf design and I suspect this to
9 be true for the STRIDE design but I would reserve final
10 judgement pending a little more information. Quite
11 frankly, I'm not that familiar with the STRIDE design.

12 The preceding comments consider the effects
13 of loads rather than the subtleties and thermo-hydraulics
14 since I don't consider myself very expert in that area.

15 I have no reservations in permitting Grand Gulf
16 to go to full power on the basis of these issues that
17 we've been discussing. Obviously other issues may control
18 this decision. That's been the case in other plants and
19 I think that the decision of a 5% license on the first
20 plant was a very logical one.

21 At this time I reserve judgement on the other
22 Mark III designs simply because of -- I haven't
23 had a chance to look at them and there may be some
24 subtleties that would affect the plant specific areas,
25 though I suspect this may not be the case.

1 With regard to Mark I's and II's, I feel that
2 most of the issues are either inapplicable or insignificant
3 with regard to safety margins. There may be a few
4 applicable issues that need further examination and I hope
5 again that these could be generic.

6 I go back to my original plea and feel that some
7 level of instrumentations that measure a critical pressure
8 temperature, stresses or strains could be valuable in
9 a Mark III design and possibly in a Mark II to confirm
10 the loads are comfortably within the design envelope
11 which would hopefully minimize the continuous discourse
12 on design margins in this particular area.

13 DR. PLESSET: Thank you, Spence. I didn't
14 want to imply that you would be at all malleable. We
15 know otherwise. A good metallurgical man.

16 Before I call on Dr. Schrock, I should mention
17 that Mr. Ray, a committee member, indicated his concurrence
18 with the views that I've expressed regarding this
19 situation and Dr. Zudans did likewise. I'm going to make
20 life easy for Virgil by letting him have the microphone.

21 DR. SCHROCK: I'll keep it only briefly.

22 With regard to the Humphrey Issues, my view is
23 that I heard nothing that would lead me to have any
24 misgivings about proceeding with a full power license for
25 Grand Gulf.

1 I think that many of the things that were
2 discussed here were certainly worth discussing. I have
3 some severe reservations about whether we have set an
4 unreasonable precedence for raising issues of this level
5 of importance in the way that they eventually evolved
6 in a meeting of the subcommittee of the ACRS. I think
7 that there is some risk in our proceedings here in
8 following this path.

9 With regard to the responses from the utilities
10 and from the General Electric Company and Bechtel, I
11 think it appears to me that the answers that are being
12 sought will be obtained in a satisfactory way. I have
13 no real concern that there will be serious questions
14 remaining after all of the things that we've heard to be
15 done will be accomplished.

16 One point I would make with regard to the
17 assurance with respect to design margins is that I don't
18 like to see design margins essentially misrepresented.
19 I don't mean to say that they were intentionally
20 misrepresented but I don't like to see them carelessly
21 misrepresented. I think the question of what a design
22 margin is is a serious question and it should be dealt
23 with very carefully.

24 Frequently, usually, I think we do not know
25 very well what our design margins are and to overstate them

1 is not a good practice in general. With regard to the
2 encroachments as a specific issue, it seems to me that
3 we have had a lot of controversy in the hydrodynamics of
4 the pool responses, and that it would be very desirable
5 to have some of these calculations confirmed by other
6 than the designer of the system and for that reason, I
7 was pleased to hear that there will be some additional
8 supporting calculations submitted to the staff that will
9 be done by other AE's using different codes.

10 That concludes my comment.

11 DR. PLESSET: Thank you, Virgil. Mr. Etherington?

12 DR. ETHERINGTON: I think everyone is addressing
13 these concerns in a responsible manner and I see nothing
14 in the unresolved items that would warrant withholding
15 a license, full power operating license.

16 DR. PLESSET: Dr. Garlid?

17 DR. GARLID: Well, I think the issues that
18 were raised were real ones but were for the most part
19 second order with respect to safety. MP&L has been
20 responsive to the concerns that were raised, and that
21 the Staff has developed a reasonable plan, although if
22 anything it's on the conservative side of how to deal
23 with them.

24 I don't think the issues should cause any delay
25 and finally, I think the question of interface is whether

1 they are interfaces between organizations or interfaces
2 of problems between one discipline and another, that
3 these are generic issues and not unique to these plants.

4 DR. PLESSET: Thank you. Jesse?

5 DR. EBERSOLE: Yes. May I ask G.E. a question
6 about the containment structural design and the limitations
7 on it? It's always concrete, I take it for N16 and other
8 shielding purposes. Does it have a membrane liner on
9 either side? Do you give freedom to the AE's to put
10 liner skin on the structural wall? Do you know?

11 MR. DAVIS: This is Mac Davis from General
12 Electric. We place no requirements at all on the AE as
13 to whether he can or cannot put liners on.

14 DR. EBERSOLE: Are any of these equipped with
15 liners? Membranes on either side?

16 MR. McGAUGHY: We have what's -- well it's not
17 a Q type liner. We have concrete steel forms that are
18 welded together. In essence, a liner but it's not a --

19 DR. EBERSOLE: Is it on both sides?

20 MR. McGAUGHY: It's on the inside.

21 DR. EBERSOLE: Then I would only ask one question.
22 When that particular wall is subjected to negative
23 pressure and therefore gas in-leakage, how do you retain
24 that liner in the structural context? How do you keep
25 it from peeling off?

1 MR. McGAUGHY: It's designed to 3PSID, to
2 withstand that pressure.

3 DR. EBERSOLE: In otherwords, it's anchored at
4 sufficient intervals to --

5 MR. McGAUGHY: Yes. See, well, it's not Q, it's
6 got to be seismic. We've got to show that it won't fall off
7 in an earthquake and it will withstand the amount of 3PSID.

8 DR. EBERSOLE: I'm talking about due to in-leakage
9 from the high pressure side. How do you keep it from
10 peeling off and flying inward into the containment?

11 MR. McGAUGHY: It has anchors on the back of it,
12 into the concrete.

13 DR. EBERSOLE: So it's periodically anchored?

14 MR. McGAUGHY: That's correct.

15 DR. EBERSOLE: On the inner face.

16 MR. McGAUGHY: Yes, sir.

17 DR. EBERSOLE: Is it designed to permit
18 atmospheric penetration and to carry the structural load
19 at the liner face? On the inner face of the liner, next
20 to the concrete?

21 MR. McGAUGHY: I'm not sure I understand the
22 question.

23 DR. EBERSOLE: Okay. The gas, the atmosphere
24 on a reverse pressure mode will be carried inward through
25 the leakage of the concrete and the pressure gradient will

1 occur on the liner. Are you with me?

2 MR. MCGAUGHY: Yes, I think so.

3 DR. EBERSOLE: Okay, the pressure gradient
4 being almost all contained on the liner, how do you
5 support it against the buckling load?

6 Somebody is holding their hand up.

7 MR. BROSE: I'm Tom Brose from Bechtel in
8 Los Angeles. The generic Bechtel design of a liner
9 plate is not a structural member.

10 DR. EBERSOLE: That's what I was afraid of.
11 So now what's going to keep it from flying all over the
12 place if you apply an external atmospheric load on it.

13 MR. BROSE: It is anchored to the concrete
14 containment by three by two by quarter-inch channels
15 spaced every fifteen inches. It's designed as a membrane
16 only. Okay, your question as to the differential
17 pressure across the liner through diffusion through
18 the concrete would not occur because the liner is
19 continuous to the outside surface, and by that the liner
20 is attached to the penetration -- you wouldn't -- I don't
21 foresee a differential pressure occurring across the
22 liner.

23 DR. EBERSOLE: You do not put any pressure in
24 your design against the exterior face of the liner, that
25 is the face between the the concrete and the steel?

1 MR. BROSE: No.

2 DR. EBERSOLE: You don't look at the permeation
3 of atmospheric pressure against that face?

4 MR. BROSE: No, but the liner itself is designed
5 for a negative load due to the other new loads which create
6 such loads on the liner and it has the capability on
7 Grand Gulf -- I can't give a specific number, but
8 whatever the negative pressure is from SRV.

9 MR. McGAUGHY: He's not -- we're talking about
10 inside the drywell.

11 MR. BROSE: No, no, he's talking about containment.

12 MR. McGAUGHY: I'm sorry.

13 MR. BROSE: He's talking about the containment
14 liner and the containment liner is capable of withstanding
15 the negative pressure from an SRV discharge which would
16 suck on the liner in the order of magnitude --

17 MR. McGAUGHY: At least 5PSI.

18 DR. EBERSOLE: You follow me -- I'm just looking
19 at the anchor mode to the concrete and hoping it won't
20 scallop and come off.

21 MR. BROSE: It's designed for a suction load.

22 DR. EBERSOLE: In otherwords, you do then put
23 atmospheric pressure on the back face?

24 MR. BROSE: Yes.

25 DR. EBERSOLE: You have to.

1 MR. McGAUGHY: That's the only way you can
2 get it, I guess.

3 DR. EBERSOLE: And you put what, 5PSI?

4 MR. BROSE: Whatever Grand Gulf's design criteria
5 are.

6 MR. McGAUGHY: The negative loads from the SRV
7 actuation are at least five.

8 DR. EBERSOLE: So you're anchored at sufficient
9 intervals per square foot to hold it together.

10 MR. BROSE: Yes.

11 DR. EBERSOLE: Okay, that's one question I had.
12 Other than that, I have no reservations, Dr. Plesset
13 about this containment. If I have any reservations about
14 thermo-hydraulic loads in other contexts such as the
15 drive, controller drive units -- sorry, not the CRU's but
16 the tubes and instrumentation and other thermo-hydraulic
17 loads that may be imposed on safety equipment which we
18 haven't pinpointed here as we have the HCU's on this floor.
19 But those will come up in another context rather than
20 a containment context.

21 DR. PLESSET: Thank you, Jesse. Arthur?

22 DR. CATTON: I've been involved, I guess, with
23 the Mark I, II and III in the suppression pool loads and
24 so forth. And it's my view that the Humphrey Issues
25 are receiving far more attention than they deserve by NRC,

1 G.E., and MP&L. I have no reservations regarding the
2 Mark III containment scheme. I have some residual
3 questions that I've raised through the two day period.
4 I've had some promises with respect to experimental data
5 and answers and I'll just await receiving them.

6 DR. PLESSET: Thank you. Let me -- do you want to
7 make another comment? I think we've heard from the wise
8 men at this table and I'm not including myself in that
9 category, but you see there's kind of a consensus here.
10 I'd like to follow up on a couple of points that were
11 made by Dr. Bush, Dr. Catton that one has only a certain
12 amount of resource at one's disposal and one has to use
13 this wisely. The question is, are you using these
14 resources for the most efficiency for safety? And it's
15 been indicated or hinted at that maybe you aren't by paying
16 so much attention to these particular issues that we've been
17 talking about the past two days. And this disturbs me
18 as well as the other members up here, that you may be
19 not helping safety by disregarding other items and
20 concentrating on these and this I think, you have to think
21 about and I think along this same line, the kind of a cost
22 benefit approach to safety.

23 Dr. Bush mentioned his distress at Mark I and II
24 being drawn into this and this seemed to me particularly
25 non-productive. We indicated it was not productive for

1 Mark III's but to get the Mark I's and II's in it is
2 really a little bit well, more than unfortunate and I
3 wanted to stress those points to you, Jack in this
4 connection.

5 Now, unless the people up here at the table
6 want to make more comments, I'd be glad to have you
7 respond to what we've just been saying. Jack or Dr. Butler,
8 either one. Both maybe.

9 MR. KUDRICK: We appreciate your frankness in
10 your positive comments relative to the concerns that
11 have been raised. Since we have been informed of the
12 Humphrey concerns, we have taken about trying to resolve
13 those as quickly as possible and hopefully we have
14 given the subcommittee the impression that we do not
15 feel that the majority of the concerns are significant
16 safety issues, and I hope that we have made that point
17 earlier yesterday. We have, however, believed that there
18 are one or two items that deserve our attention and
19 that based on the information that we've gotten, we believe
20 that we will be getting a satisfactory response. However,
21 we will be awaiting judgement until we get those responses.
22 In a similar fashion, we are waiting final acceptance
23 of the response. Until we get the necessary background
24 on which the judgements were made, that these loads were
25 indeed secondary, I don't believe that we are that

1 significantly differing from the subcommittee. We have
2 asked the various elements of the industry to respond
3 to those comments. The magnitude of effort that that
4 industry responds to would be indicative of the magnitude
5 of safety concerns that they feel those concerns justify.
6 We are perfectly -- in fact we have indicated rather
7 strongly that generic efforts be established wherever
8 possible, so I don't believe that we are inconsistent
9 in that manner.

10 DR. PLESSET: Thank you, Jack. I don't want
11 to appear to abrasive in discussing the staff's work
12 but evidently we do have a fair amount of agreement
13 which is unusual between us and you. Dr. Butler?

14 DR. BUTLER: Let me just add a little bit more.
15 I agree with Jack. We have pretty strong consensus with
16 the views expressed by the subcommittee.

17 On the matter of margins that Dr. Schrock
18 hit on, I agree with that, that many of the margins
19 depicted during the presentation were relying on what
20 I'll call margins generally looked at for degraded core
21 considerations. When we're dealing with design basis
22 accidents, these different margins have a specific function
23 and we don't want to lean too heavily on them for these
24 new areas.

25 The other point that I wanted to make is that many

1 of these new areas are really design questions rather than
2 safety questions. And if you delegate the responsibility
3 to do a good engineering job, you would expect that these
4 issues would be suitably dealt with. There are no
5 real technological questions at hand associated with
6 these issues.

7 To reinforce Jack's earlier statement, we
8 intend to moderate the amount of resources obligated to
9 resolving these issues. To the extent practical,
10 we will push for generic treatment of them so as to
11 minimize the utilization of resources. Thank you very
12 much.

13 DR. PLESSET: Thank you, Dr. Butler. I
14 appreciate that and I might say that all the members of
15 the subcommittee received a lot of literature, reports,
16 from meetings of the NRC and maybe we got a little bit
17 of an exaggerated idea of what effort went into this.
18 Jack nods his head indicating concurrence.

19 MR. KUDRICK: No, I believe that I will be
20 supported by MP&L by saying that there has been significant
21 effort to date on these particular issues.

22 DR. PLESSET: Yes, and they seem to be getting
23 a little out of hand if I may say so in the amount of
24 effort and report writing and communications and so on
25 and I know you've got a lot of other things you have to

1 work on, some of which you know, the ACRS thinks are
2 very important that the Staff isn't pushing very hard.
3 I don't need to mention them. You can think of them
4 yourself.

5 Well, anyway, are there any other comments?
6 Jesse, do you want to comment?

7 DR. EBERSOLE: No, I rest.

8 DR. PLESSET: Ivan, Virgil? Well, there's no
9 use keeping you here any longer. We've found it very
10 interesting. I was going to say profitable. I wouldn't
11 go that far. And I presume that you will be meeting with
12 the Grand Gulf subcommittee and with the full committee
13 week after next, is that correct? Well, until then,
14 let's let the subject go. We are adjourned.

15 (Whereupon, at 1:40 p.m., the meeting was
16 adjourned.)

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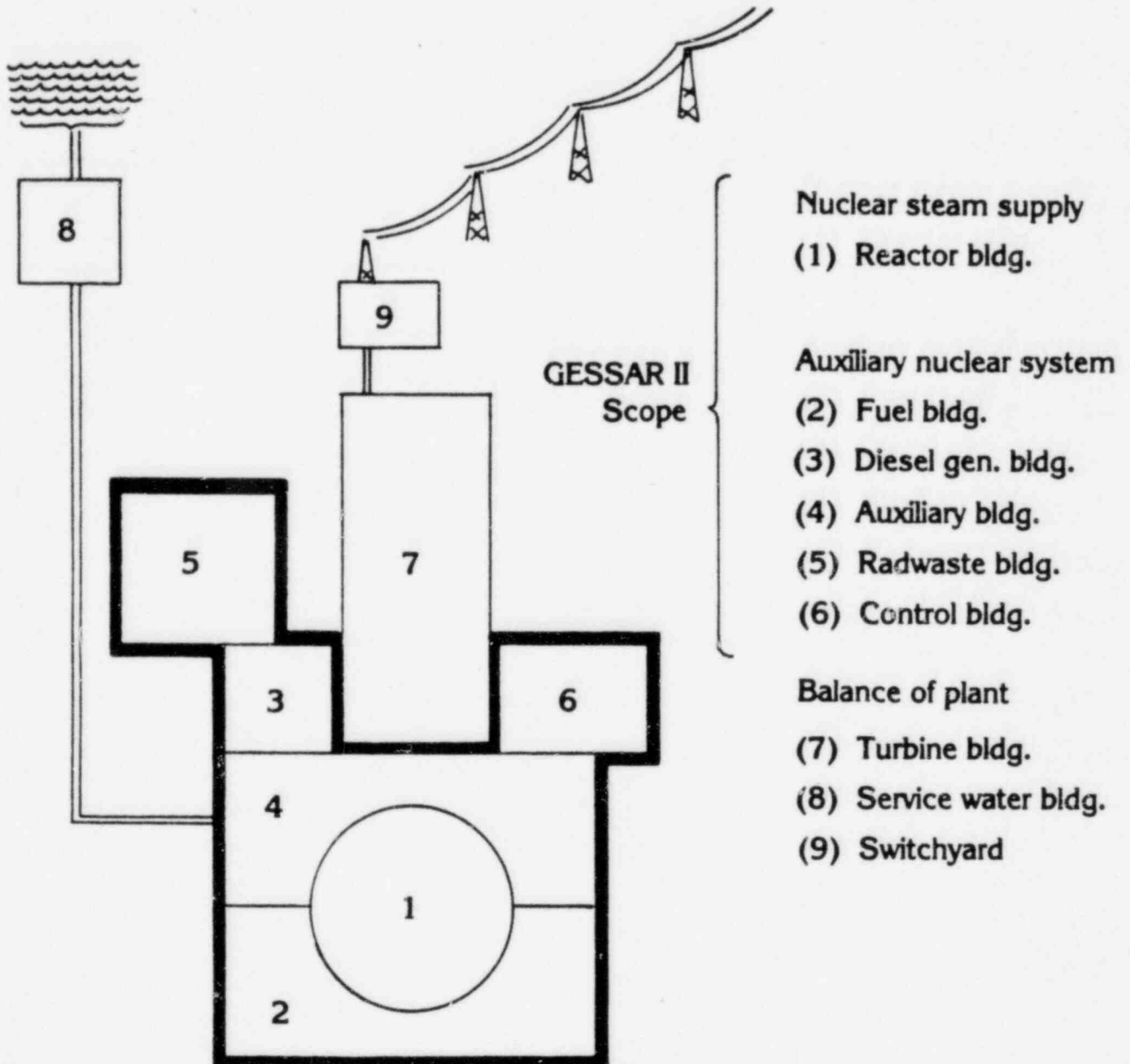
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1. DESCRIPTION OF STRIDE AND GESSAR II PROGRAM -
C. CAMERON

2. DETAILED ACTION PLAN FOR HUMPHREY ISSUES -
H. TOWNSEND

Scope of GESSAR II Submittal



STRIDE PROGRAM

STRIDE - STANDARD REACTOR ISLAND DESIGN
(NUCLEAR ISLAND)

WHAT IS IT? - DETAILED DESIGN OF TVA BWR/6-MARK III
BY GE/BRAUN

SCOPE - BWR/6-MARK III SAFETY RELATED SYSTEMS
AND STRUCTURES

NSSS	REACTOR BLDG.
AUX. BLDG.	FUEL BLDG.
CONTROL BLDG.	D-G BLDG.
RADWASTE BLDG.	

RESPONSIBILITIES:

GE - DESIGN DEFINITION AND LICENSING OF STRIDE
C.F. BRAUN - A/E FOR DETAILED DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION
TVA - OVERALL CONSTRUCTION AND BOP DESIGN

GESSAR PROGRAM

GESSAR - GE STANDARD SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT

WHAT IS IT? - FSAR FOR STRIDE

RESPONSIBILITIES -

GE - DESIGN DEFINITION AND LICENSING OF STRIDE

C.F. BRAUN - DETAILED DESIGN OF SAFETY SYSTEMS AND STRUCTURES SUFFICIENT FOR LICENSING OF GESSAR

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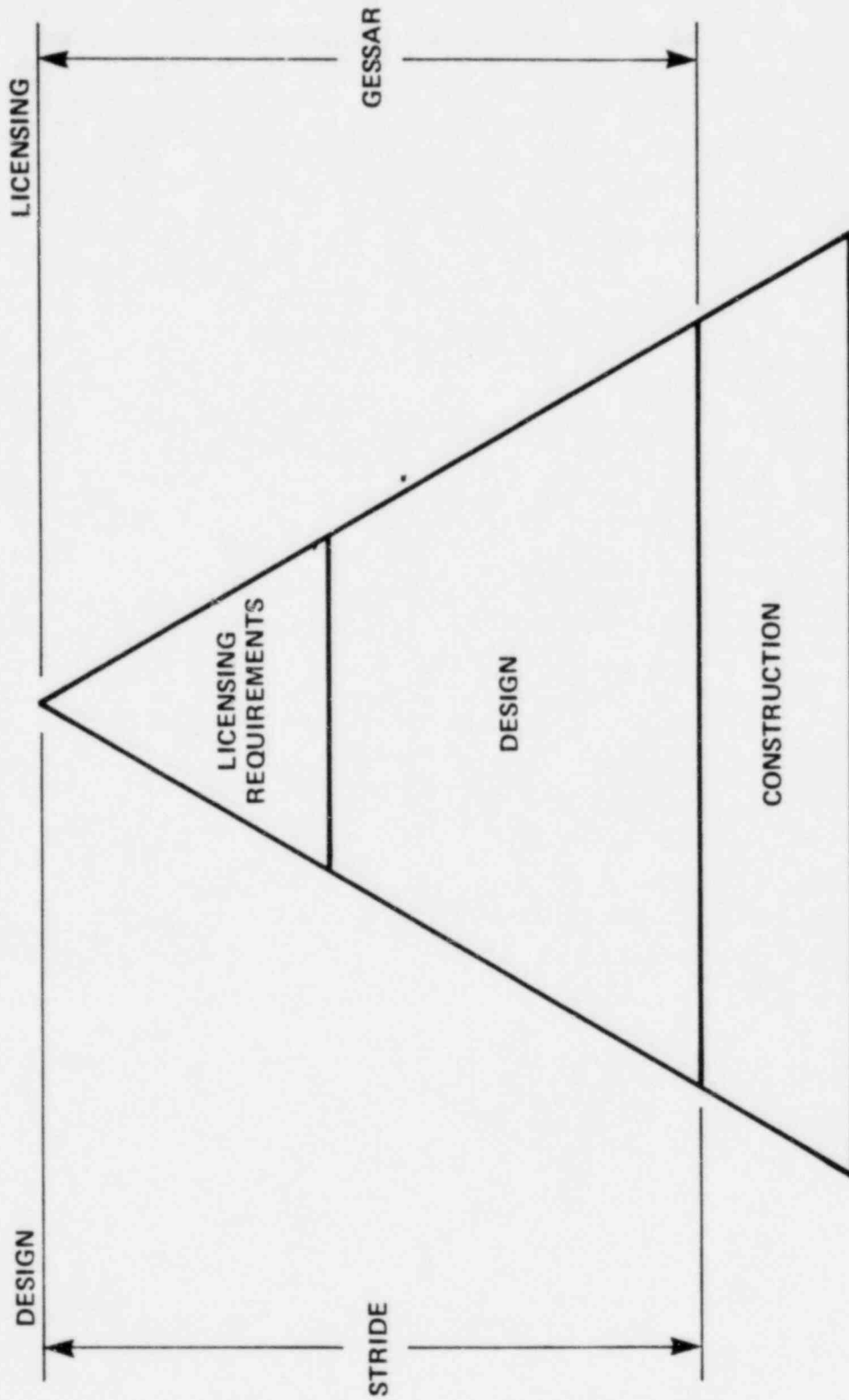
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GE Standard Safety Analysis Report

GESSAR



RESOLUTION OF
CONTAINMENT DESIGN ISSUES
AFFECTING GESSAR

BASIC APPROACH

- CLASSIFY ISSUES
- RESPOND ON ISSUES NOT RESOLVED BY GRAND GULF RESPONSES
- ISSUES FALL INTO 5 CATEGORIES:

CATEGORY I

GGNS RESULTS REPRESENTATIVE
OR BOUNDING

1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5; 1.6, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.6, 3.7, 4.1,
4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.6, 4.8, 4.9, 5.3, 5.4, 7.1, 7.2, 14.0, 19.1,
19.2, 20.0

CATEGORY II

GGNS ACTION PLAN APPLICABLE,
WITH GESSAR-UNIQUE DATA USED
IN EVALUATIONS

3.4, 3.5, 4.2, 5.1, 5.5, 5.6, 5.8, 6.3, 6.5, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4,
9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 10.1, 10.2, 11.0

CATEGORY III

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTIONS
DIFFERENT FROM GGNS

2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 4.7, 4.10, 16.0

CATEGORY IV

(RESOLVED FOR GGNS.) NOT
RESOLVED FOR GESSAR

1.7, 6.2, 12.0, 13.0, 15.0, 18.2

CATEGORY V

RESOLVED FOR GESSAR
EITHER - RESOLVED GENERICALLY
BY GGNS
OR - NOT APPLICABLE TO
GESSAR
OR - DECISION TO CHANGE
GESSAR MADE

5.2, 5.7, 7.3, 8.1, 17.0,
18.1, 21.0, 22.0

CATEGORY: III

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ISSUE STATEMENT:

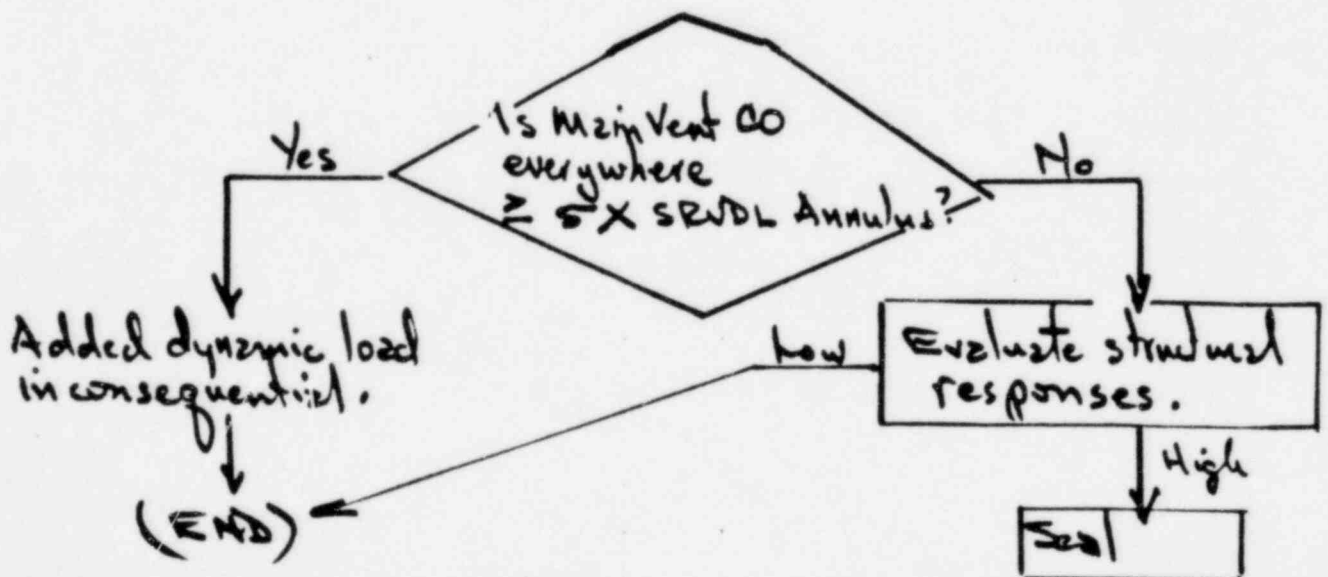
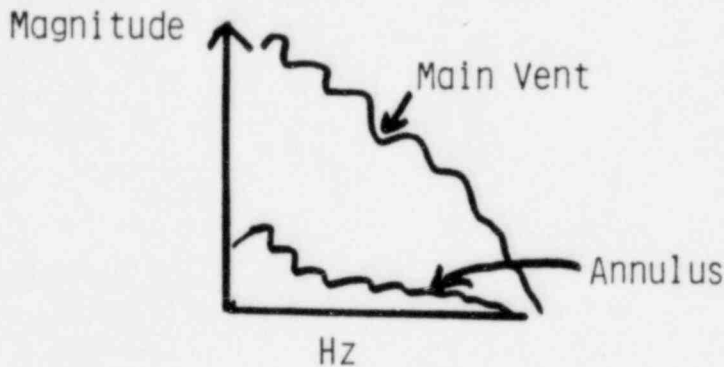
The annular regions between the safety relief valve lines and the drywell wall penetration sleeves may produce condensation oscillation (C.O.) frequencies near the drywell and containment wall structural resonance frequencies.

GGNS ACTION DIRECTION:

Seal SRVDL annulus

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTION:

- Estimate SRVDL annulus CO load definition
- Compare with main vent CO load definition:



CATEGORY: III

ISSUE NO.: 2.2

ISSUE STATEMENT:

The potential condensation oscillation and chugging loads produced through the annular area between the SRVDL and sleeve may apply unaccounted for loads to the SRVDL. Since the SRVDL is unsupported from the quencher to the inside of the drywell wall, this may result in failure of the line.

GGNS ACTION DIRECTION:

Seal SRVDL annulus

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTION:

CO: Use GESSAR 2.1 CO load definition:

- Select dynamic amplification factors for cyclic load
- Do static load evaluation

CHUGGING:

Adjust Mark II downcomer lateral load to reflect annulus D_{EFF}

- Select dynamic amplification factor for impulse load
- Do static load evaluation

CATEGORY: III

ISSUE NO.: 2.3

ISSUE STATEMENT:

The potential condensation oscillation and chugging loads produced through the annular area between the SRVDL and sleeve may apply unaccounted for loads to the penetration sleeve. The loads may also be at or near the natural frequency of the sleeve.

GGNS ACITON DIRECTION:

Seal SRVDL annulus

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTION:

- Apply same chugging lateral load definition (from 2.2) to penetration sleeve

- Select dynamic amplification factor for impulse load

- Do static load evaluation

CATEGORY: III

ISSUE NO.: 4.7, 4.10

ISSUE STATEMENT:

4.7: All analyses completed for the Mark III are generic in nature and do not consider plant specific interactions of the RHR suppression pool suction and discharge.

4.10: Justify that the current arrangement of the discharge and suction points of the pool cooling system maximizes pool mixing (pp. 150-155 of 5/27/82 transcript)

GGNS ACTION DIRECTION:

Perform analysis, or develop test program

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTION:

Provide writeups of findings gleaned from Kuo-Sheng in-plant pool mixing tests, which establish that GESSAR RHR system/pool arrangement yields rapid and acceptably complete mixing.

CATEGORY: IV
ISSUE NO.: 1.7

ISSUE STATEMENT:

The vent area above the suppression pool at the HCU floor is not evenly distributed above the pool. The PSTF tests which were conducted yielded results based upon the assumption that the vent area was evenly distributed. The non-uniform distribution may create unanticipated perturbations in breakthrough height, swell height, etc.

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTION:

Provide references to applicable portions of GESSAR Appendix 3B, specifying HCU floor open-area requirement.

CATEGORY: IV

ISSUE NO: 6.2

ISSUE STATEMENT:

General Electric has recommended that an interlock be provided to require containment spray prior to starting the recombiners because of the large quantities of heat input to the containment. Incorrect implementation of this interlock could result in inability to actuate the recombiners without containment spray.

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTION:

Pursue through normal change control process to implement the proposed change (removal of interlock).

CATEGORY : IV

ISSUE NO.: 12.0

ISSUE STATEMENT:

The upper pool dumps into the suppression pool automatically following a LOCA signal with a thirty minute delay timer. If the signal which starts the timer disappears on the solid state logic plants, the timer resets to zero preventing upper pool dump.

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTION:

Revise SPMUS logic to assure automatic SPMUS actuation for all accident events for which additional suppression pool inventory is required.

CATEGORY: IV

ISSUE NO.: 13.0

ISSUE STATEMENT:

The "B" loop of the containment sprays includes a 90 second timer to prevent simultaneous initiation of the redundant containment sprays. Because of instrument drift in the sensing instrumentation and the timers, GE estimates that there is a 1 in 8 chance that the sprays will actuate simultaneously. Simultaneous actuation could produce negative pressure transients in the containment and aggravate temperature stratification in the suppression pool.

GESSAR ACTION DECISION:

Submit write-up of the analysis performed that shows negative containment pressures in excess of GESSAR design value (-0.8 psid) were not reached.

CATEGORY: IV

ISSUE NO.: 15.0

ISSUE STATEMENT:

The STRIDE plants had vacuum breakers between the containment and the secondary containment. With sufficiently high flows through the vacuum breakers to containment, vacuum could be created in the secondary containment.

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTION:

1. Define limiting negative pressure due to VB operation.
2. Confirm shield building and equipment are qualified for negative pressure, and specify condition in documents.

CATEGORY: IV

ISSUE NO.: 18.2

ISSUE STATEMENT:

Insulation debris may be transported through the vents in the drywell wall into the suppression pool. This debris could then cause blockage of the suction strainers.

GESSAR ACTION DIRECTION:

Present for NRC review completed GE analysis that showed "mirror" insulation used in GESSAR will plug less than 10% of the suction area.

RESOLUTION SCHEDULE:

-Finalize detail action plan and schedule:
September 3, 1982

NSSS/AE INTERFACE

GRAND GULF PROJECT

I. GENERAL COMMENTS

- o CONTINUOUS INTERFACE BETWEEN GE, AE, AND PLANT OWNER
- o PROPOSAL/CONTRACT DOCUMENTATION THROUGH COMMERCIAL OPERATION
- o NATURE OF INTERFACE INFORMATION
 - o MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND INFORMAL INFORMATION
 - o COVERS NUCLEAR SAFETY, PERSONNEL SAFETY, PLANT OPERABILITY, WARRANTY, AND CONTRACT CONSIDERATIONS

NSSS/AE INTERFACE

GRAND GULF PROJECT

II. GE INTERFACE DOCUMENTS

A. SPECIFICATIONS

- o A62 SERIES - PLANT REQUIREMENTS
 - o GE TO AE
 - o MANDATORY BALANCE OF PLANT (BOP) REQUIREMENTS

- o A42 SERIES - REPORTS AND DATA SHEETS
 - o GE TO AE
 - o GENERAL INFORMATION
 - o SOME DESIGN INFORMATION

- o A22 SERIES - APPLICATION ENGINEERING INFORMATION
 - o GE TO AE
 - o RECOMMENDATIONS
 - o INFORMAL INFORMATION

- o NSSS SYSTEMS
 - o GE TO AE
 - o MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS, CRITERIA, GENERAL INFORMATION, RECOMMENDATIONS

B. DESIGN DRAWINGS AND OTHER SOFTWARE

GRAND GULF PROJECT
CONTAINMENT RELATED DOCUMENTS

- o A62 SERIES
 - o CONTAINMENT ISOLATION DIAGRAM
 - o REACTOR CONTAINMENT REQUIREMENTS
 - o SEISMIC DESIGN FOR NSSS EQUIPMENT
 - o DRYWELL COOLING LOADS
 - o NSSS EQUIPMENT CONTAINMENT ENVIRONMENT REQUIREMENTS
 - o SUPPRESSION POOL MAKE-UP SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS
 - o STRUCTURAL AND MECHANICAL NSSS LOADING CRITERIA
 - o REACTOR SYSTEM DATA

- o A42 SERIES
 - o CONTAINMENT LOADS REPORTS (CLR)
 - o SUPPRESSION POOL SOURCE TERMS

- o A22 SERIES
 - o CONTAINMENT DOSE REDUCTION STUDY
 - o CONTAINMENT SYSTEMS INFORMATION - RECOMMENDATIONS, DESIGN BASES

- o GESSAR APPENDIX 3B
 - o REFERENCED IN FSAR AS GRAND GULF CONTAINMENT LOADS BASIS

III. DESIGN INTERFACE PROCESS

A. GENERATE AND DISTRIBUTE DOCUMENTATION

B. DESIGN FREEZE

- o ESTABLISH EARLY BASE-LINE TO ASSURE REGULATORY, DESIGN, AND CONTRACTURAL REQUIREMENTS

C. CONTINUOUS COMMUNICATION PROCESS

- o DAILY TELECONFERENCES
- o LETTERS - FORMALIZED TRACKING
- o MEETINGS
 - o WORKING - LEVEL DESIGN REVIEWS
 - o TECHNICAL INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY UPDATE
 - o SENIOR LEVEL MANAGEMENT PROBLEM REVIEWS

D. CHANGES TO DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

- o ENGINEERING CHANGE AUTHORIZATION - ECA
- o ENGINEERING CHANGE NOTICE - ECN
- o FIELD DISPOSITION INSTRUCTION - FDI
- o FIELD DEVIATION DISPOSITION REQUEST (INSTRUCTION) - FDDR
- o ALL CHANGES PROCESSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH 10CFR50 APPENDIX B

E. GENERAL AND OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

- o APPLICATION INFORMATION DOCUMENT - AID
- o SERVICE INFORMATION LETTER - SIL

IV. SPECIAL INTERFACE PROGRAMS

- A. BWR OWNERS GROUP
- B. TMI ISSUES
- C. EVALUATION OF NSSS EQUIPMENT UNDER VARIOUS DYNAMIC LOADS
- D. ATWS
- E. EQUIPMENT ENVIRONMENTAL QUALIFICATION
- F. SQRT

V. GRAND GULF BOP INTERFACE REVIEW - GE AND AE

- A. UNDERSTANDING/INTERPRETATION OF GE REQUIREMENTS
- B. CONDUCTED ONCE PER YEAR
- C. ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT SELECTED SYSTEMS FOR REVIEW
- D. LEAD ENGINEERS PROPOSED ITEMS FOR REVIEW
- E. RANDOM SELECTION OF ITEMS FOR SPECIFICATION COMPLIANCE
- F. OPEN ITEMS TRACKED FOR RESOLUTION

VI. INSTALLATION, PREOP, AND STARTUP TESTING

- A. GENERATE AND IMPLEMENT INSTALLATION, CONSTRUCTION, AND STORAGE PROCEDURES
- B. GENERATE AND IMPLEMENT TESTING SPECIFICATIONS
 - o REVIEW AND APPROVE OWNER'S PROCEDURES

VII. PRE FUEL LOAD REVIEW

- A. MANDATED BY GE MANAGEMENT ON GRAND GULF
- B. ASSURE NSS SYSTEMS WILL BE STARTED UP SAFELY AND BE CAPABLE OF SAFE/RELIABLE COMMERCIAL OPERATION
- C. QUALITY ASSURANCE OPERATION ESTABLISHED GENERAL AND SPECIFIC AREAS FOR REVIEW
- D. EXPERIENCED REVIEW TEAM EVALUATED PLANT PRIOR TO FUEL LOADING
- E. FINDINGS BY TEAM
 - o COMMUNICATED TO OWNER FOR INFORMATION AND ACTION
 - o COMMUNICATED TO GE SENIOR MANAGEMENT
 - o ALL ITEMS ARE ADDRESSED BY RESPONSIBLE PARTIES

GE/A/E INTERFACE

1. SUMMARY:

- DESIGN INTERFACE WITH ANY OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION IS RECOGNIZED AS A KEY QUALITY ISSUE AND AS SUCH IS RIGOROUSLY CONTROLLED UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF BECHTEL POWER CORPORATION QA PROGRAM.

NOTE: DETAILED DISCUSSION OF DESIGN CONTROL UNDER BPC QA PROGRAM CAN BE FOUND IN MPB-82/0100 (3/1/82). THIS DOCUMENT WAS TRANSMITTED TO THE NRC VIA AECM-82/119 (3/26/82).

- DESIGN INTERFACE CONTROLS HAVE BEEN A SUBJECT OF MANY QA AND TECHNICAL AUDITS CULMINATING IN A RECENT INDEPENDENT DESIGN REVIEW (IDR) CONDUCTED BY CYGNA.

THE OBJECTIVE OF IDR WAS:

- REVIEW ALL QA ACTIVITIES TAKING PLACE DURING THE NEW LOADS ADEQUACY EVALUATION (NLAE).
- REVIEW PIPING AND PIPE SUPPORTS DESIGN OF RHR LOOP "A".

NOTE: NRC STAFF SPECIFICALLY DIRECTED CYGNA TO CONCENTRATE ON THE INTERFACE PROCESS WITHIN AND WITHOUT BPC AS GGNS A/E.

- SEVERAL POINTS DESERVE ATTENTION:

- NLAE IS ONE OF THE MAJOR DESIGN ACTIVITIES, INVOLVING MORE THAN ONE ORGANIZATION, HAVING TAKEN PLACE DURING THE GGNS DESIGN PROCESS.
- CLR, OR PRECISELY GESSAR II APPENDIX 3B, WAS A BASIS FOR A/E'S DESIGN IN THE CASE OF GGNS. THIS IS REFLECTED IN THE FSAR.

- THE EXTENSIVE REVIEW, CONDUCTED BY CYGNA RESULTED IN NO INTERFACE RELATED FINDINGS.

IN MARCH, 1980, ANOTHER INDEPENDENT DESIGN REVIEW TOOK PLACE. EXTENSIVE REVIEW BY NRC STAFF AND EG&G IDAHO, INC. DEMONSTRATED COMPLIANCE OF ALL CATEGORY I STRUCTURES WITH APPLICABLE CODES, STANDARDS, REG. GUIDES AND GE Co. INTERIM CONTAINMENT LOADS REPORT. DETAILS MAY BE FOUND IN MPB-82/0100 (AECM-82/119).

SLIDE #1

DESIGN INTERFACE CONTROL

GE/BECHTEL DESIGN INTERFACE REQUIREMENTS DEFINED IN PROJECT PROCEDURES MANUAL
(PPM) APPENDIX B

- DESIGN CRITERIA
- FINAL DESIGN
- DESIGN REVIEW
- PROCUREMENT
- STARTUP SERVICES
- SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORTS

PROJECT DESIGN CRITERIA MANUAL

SLIDE #3

DESIGN INTERFACE COMPOSED OF
THREE MAIN ELEMENTS

- DOCUMENT CONTROL
- DOCUMENT REVIEW AND COORDINATION
- INTERFACE CONTROL VERIFICATION

SLIDE #4

DOCUMENT CONTROL

PROJECT ENGINEERING PROCEDURES MANUAL (PEPM) - CONTAINS DETAILED PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING/TRACKING DOCUMENTS

- AUTOMATED DOCUMENT CONTROL REGISTER (ADCR)
- LOG IN/LOG OUT PROCEDURE
- Q COMMUNICATION TRACKING
- UP-TO-DATE FILES OF GE DOCUMENTS FOR READY ACCESS BY PROJECT PERSONNEL

GE MONTHLY DOCUMENTATION STATUS REPORTS - IDENTIFIES DOCUMENTS AND LATEST REVISIONS APPLICABLE TO GRAND GULF PROJECT

c. Vendors Document Review Stamp - See Section 4.3.2.2

Note: For all Vendors except GE-NED

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d. GE-NED Drawing Review Stamp - See Section 4.3.2.2

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SLIDE #5

DOCUMENT REVIEW AND COORDINATION

PEPM - DETAILED PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW AND COORDINATION OF DOCUMENTS

GE/BECHTEL CONTAINMENT CONCEPTIONAL DESIGN TASK FORCE

DESIGN REVIEW MEETINGS (MP&L/GE/BECHTEL) - 128 RECORDED MEETING NOTES

SIGNIFICANT INTERFACE ISSUES RESOLVED BY Q COMMUNICATION (TRACKING)

GE WRITTEN CONCURRENCE REQUIRED FOR DEVIATIONS FROM DESIGN REQUIREMENTS/
CRITERIA

DESIGN INTERFACE INPUTS

- . NSSS
- . T/G
- . OTHER VENDORS

DOCUMENT CONTROL
ADCR LOG IN

RESPONSIBLE ENGINEER

- . COORDINATES REVIEW WITHIN DISCIPLINE
- . INITIATES INCORPORATION OF INTERFACE DATA INTO B DRAWINGS/SPECS./CALCS
- . DESIGNATES OTHER DISCIPLINES FOR COORDINATION

DOCUMENT CONTROL
. COORD. COPIES

OTHER DISCIPLINES

- . INTERFACE REVIEW
- . COMMENTS
- . UPDATE OF B DRAWINGS/SPECS.

RESPONSIBLE ENGINEER

- . INCORPORATES ALL COMMENTS
- . ASSIGNS APPROVAL STAMP

DOCUMENT CONTROL

- . COPIES
- . ADCR LOG OUT
- . TRANSMITTAL

- . NSSS OR T/G OR OTHER VENDOR
- . MP&L
- . FIELD DOCUMENT CONTROL

SLIDE #6

INTERFACE CONTROL VERIFICATION

- BECHTEL GPD QA/QE AUDITS
- BECHTEL TPO AUDIT - 1978
- INTERFACE REVIEW MEETINGS WITH GE - 1979 AND 1981
- OPERATIONAL READINESS REVIEW BY GE
- SYSTEMATIC REVIEW OF KEY GE DESIGN DOCUMENTS - 1978 THRU 1980
- REVIEW OF GE FSAR SECTIONS
- NRC AUDIT - 1981
- INDEPENDENT DESIGN REVIEW (GYGNA) - 1982
- SYSTEMS CHECKOUT FOLLOWING CONSTRUCTION
- PRE-OPERATIONAL TESTING

NSSS/AE INTERFACE

- o MP&L RECOGNIZED THE NEED FOR A GOOD INTERFACE AND HAS MAINTAINED ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT
- o MP&L WAS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF AND APPROVED THE PROJECT PROCEDURES MANUAL
- o DURING THE CRITICAL PHASE OF THE PROJECT, MP&L HAD MONTHLY MANAGEMENT MEETINGS TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS AND ASSURE PROPER INTERFACE
- o INTERNAL REVIEW TO SUPPORT IDR PROVIDED ASSURANCE THAT DESIGN CONTROL REQUIREMENTS WERE ADEQUATELY IDENTIFIED AND IMPLEMENTED
- o IDR BY CYGNA VERIFIED ADEQUATE INTERFACE
- o MARK III OWNERS GROUP FORMED WHICH PROVIDED AN EXCELLENT INTERFACE FORUM
 - HISTORY
 - PURPOSE
 - PARTICIPANTS
 - TYPICAL ISSUES DISCUSSED

MARK III CONTAINMENT OWNERS GROUP

HISTORY

- o FORMED BY MK III UTILITIES DECEMBER 1976
- o CONTINUED UNTIL THE NRC COMPLETED THE GESSAR # APPENDIX 3B REVIEW

PURPOSE

- o A NON-COMMERCIAL GROUP FORMED AS A FORUM FOR INFORMATION EXCHANGE ON CONTAINMENT RELATED ISSUES

PARTICIPANTS

- o UTILITIES WITH MARK III CONTAINMENT (VOTING)
- o AE'S OF MARK III CONTAINMENT UTILITIES (NON VOTING)
- o INTERNATIONAL UTILITIES WITH MK III CONTAINMENT (NON VOTING)
- o GENERAL ELECTRIC (NON VOTING)

MARK III CONTAINMENT OWNERS GROUP

DISCUSSED

- o OVER THE SIX YEARS, ESSENTIALLY EVERY DESIGN RELATED CONTAINMENT ISSUE I.E.,
 - EVERY LOAD DEFINITION IN THE GESSAR II APPENDIX 3B - SRV, LOCA, CHUGGING, CO
 - DESIGN IMPACTS OF GESSAR II LOAD DEFINITIONS
 - VISITS TO TEST FACILITIES

GE/C.F. BRAUN INTERFACE

GE PROVIDES:

- SAME NSSS INFORMATION PROVIDED TO UTILITY/AE
 - GENERAL DESIGN AND INTERFACE DOCUMENTS
 - SYSTEM DESIGN DOCUMENTS FOR NSSS

- DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS FOR BALANCE OF NUCLEAR ISLAND
 - SYSTEM AND BUILDING REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-NSSS PART OF STRIDE
 - DESIGN BASES SHOWN IN GESSAR

GE/C.F. BRAUN INTERFACE PROCESS

- CONTROLLED MANAGEMENT
 - STRIDE PROJECT ORGANIZATION

- GE REVIEWS AND APPROVES C.F. BRAUN DOCUMENTS PRIOR TO RELEASE
 - ITERATIVE DESIGN OF SOME FEATURES

- CHANGES TO DESIGN REQUIREMENTS
 - ECAs IMPLEMENTED BY GE OR C.F. BRAUN

- GE AND CUSTOMER AUDITS OF C.F. BRAUN DESIGN AND DESIGN PROCEDURES