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REFERENCE: RII: JPO 50-366 I&E Bulletin 83-02

ATTENTION: Mr. James P. O'Reilly

GENTLEMEN:

Georgia Power Company (GPC) hereby submits the following information concerning inservice inspection activities at Plant Hatch Unit 2 in response to NRC I&E Bulletin 83-02. The subject bulletin pertains to stress corrosion cracking in large-diameter stainless steel recirculation system piping at BWR plants.

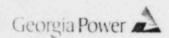
Item 1 (as applicable to Plant Hatch Unit 2)

Some of the licensees listed in Table 1 (of the subject bulletin) have completed efforts to validate the UT detection capability to be used to perform plant inspections in accordance with the requirements of Action Item 1 of I&E Bulletin 82-03, Revision 1. These licensees need not repeat this effort in accordance with Action Item 1 of this bulletin provided that: the previous validated inspection group performs the new plant examination using identical UT procedures, standards, make and model of UT instrument, and the same make and model transducers that were used to complete the previous validation effort. In addition, the UT personnel employed in the new examination must be the same; or those having appropriate training (documented) in IGSCC inspection using cracked thick-wall pipe specimens, and are under direct supervision of the Level II/III UT operators who successfully complete the performance demonstration tests.

Response

Validation of the UT procedures was performed under NRC I&E Bulletin 82-03, Rev. 1 for the examination of large-diameter stainless steel piping at Plant Hatch Unit 1 during the Fall 1982 maintenance/refueling outage. Pursuant to I&E Bulletin 83-02, the licensee need not repeat the validation process. Similar procedures, equipment, and transducers were used at Plant Hatch Unit 2. In addition, each Level II UT technician was satisfactorily tested after receiving training in IGSCC detection using cracked thick-wall pipe specimens under the direct supervision of a Level III who had performed the qualification for I&E Bulletin 82-03, Revision 1.

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Item 2 (as applicable to Plant Hatch Unit 2)

Before resuming power operations licensees are to augment their ISI programs to include an ultrasonic examination of the following minimum number of recirculation system welds:

- a. Ten welds in recirculation piping of 20-inch diameter, or larger.
- b. Ten welds of the jet pumps inlet riser piping and associated safe-ends.
- c. Two sweepolet-to-header (manifold) welds of jet pump risers nearest the end caps, if applicable to the design.

If flaws indicative of cracking are found in the above examination, additional inspection is to be conducted in accordance with IWB-2430 of ASME Code Section XI.

Response

The ISI program was augmented to include the minimum number of welds required by this particular item of the bulletin. As a result of observing unacceptable flaw-like indications, the original scope of examinations was increased in accordance with the guidance of ASME Section XI, IWB-2430. Ultimately, a 100% examination of the Class 1 Recirculation System welds (ASME Category B-J welds only) was performed. Fifty percent (50%) of the ASME Category B-F welds in the Recirculation System were examined with no unacceptable indications observed; therefore, the scope of examinations for this particular category weld was not increased. In addition to the examination of Recirculation System welds, a 100% examination of the stainless steel welds in the RHR System was performed pursuant to NRC NUREG-0313, Revision 1 guidance. Five welds in the RWCU System were examined with no unacceptable flaw-like indications observed; therefore, the scope of examinations for RWCU was not increased.

Item 3

Before resuming power operations following the outage, the licensee is to report the results of the Item 2 inspection and any corrective actions (in the event cracking is identified). This report should also include the susceptibility matrix used as a basis for welds selected for examination (e.g., stress rule index, carbon content, high stress location, repair history) and their values for each weld examined.

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Response

The welds in the original scope of examination and the initial increased scope of examination for the Recirculation System were chosen based on high stress rule index (SRI) number and carbon content. As a result of observing unacceptable flaw-like indications in the original scope and then the initial increased scope of examinations, all remaining Recirculation System welds (i.e., ASME Category B-J welds only) were then examined. As noted above, 100% of the stainless steel welds of the RHR System were examined, thereby precluding the necessity of weld selection criteria (i.e., susceptibility matrix) as discussed in bulletin item 3. High SRI number and carbon content served as the basis for the selection criteria of the five RWCU System welds examined.

Attachment 1 lists the Recirculation, RHR, and RWCU system welds examined, their SRI number, carbon content, and examination results.

Attachment 2 lists those welds for which corrective action in the form of repairs, analysis, or replacement is being conducted. Details of the analyses, repairs, and replacement will be submitted to NRC NRR under separate cover. A copy of that submittal will be provided to NRC Region II.

Please refer to Attachment 3 for isometric drawings of the Recirculation, RHR, and RWCU system piping. ASME Category B-F and B-J welds examined during the 1983 inservice inspection are denoted by circled weld numbers.

Item 4

The NRC has an on-going program to evaluate possible additional longer-term requirements relative to the IGSCC problem in the BWR recirculation system piping. The NRC may need additional information as part of this program. Therefore, licensees are requested to retain the records and data developed pursuant to the inspections performed in accordance with Item 2.

Response

The inservice inspection records and data developed pursuant to the inspections performed in accordance with bulletin item 2 will be retained. The subject records and data will be incorporated into the inservice inspection report to be issued by the ISI contractor. Inservice inspection reports are required by Technical Specification 6.10.2h to be retained for the life of the plant.

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Should you have any questions in this regard, please contact this office.

J. T. Beckham, Jr. states that he is Vice President of Georgia Power Company and is authorized to execute this oath on behalf of Georgia Power Company, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief the facts set forth in this letter are true.

GEORGIA POWER COMPANY

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of May, 1983.

Notary Public, Georgia, State at Large My Commission Expires Sept. 20, 1983

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Senior Resident Inspector

J. P. O'Reilly, (NRC-Region II)

ATTACHMENT 1

WELD EXAMINATION LISTING

STAINLESS STEEL PIPING UT EXAMINATION RESULTS

WELD NO.	WELD TYPE	WELD FAB.	SRI	% C	SIGNIFICANT INDICATIONS	% THRU-WALL (MAX)
RECIRCULATION SYSTEM						
2B31-1RC-12AR-F-1	BC-P	FW	1.11	.065	None	
-2	P-E	SW	1.44	.065	360° Inter., Pipe Side	25%
-3	E-P	SW	1.53	.065	360° Inter., Pipe Side	10%
-4	P-SE	FW	1.30	.065	None	-
-5	SE-N	SW		-	Not Examined	-
2B31-1RC-12AR-G-1	BC-P	FW	1.11	.075	None	
-2	P-E	SW	1.46	.075	360° Inter., Pipe Side	14%
-3	E-P	SW	1.56	.075	360° Inter., Pipe Side	15%
-4	P-SE	FW	1.33	.075	None	
-5	SE-N	SW			Not Examined	
2B31-1RC-12AR-H-1	Red-P	FW	1.15	.075	None	
-2	P-E	SW	1.55	.075	360° Inter., Pipe Side	10%
-3	E-P	SW	1.65	.060	360° Inter., Pipe Side	30%
-4	P-SE	FW	1.46	.060	None	
-5	SE-N	SW			Not Examined	
2B31-1RC-12AR-J-1	BC-P	FW	1.07	.065	None	
-2	P-E	SW	1.45	.065	360° Inter., Pipe Side	23%
-3	E-P	SW	1.56	.065	360° Inter., Pipe Side	20%
-4	P-SE	FW	1.30	.065	360° Inter., Pipe Side	28%
-5	SE-N	SW			Not Examined	
2B31-1RC-12AR-K-1	BC-P	FW	1.05	.070	None	
-2	P-E	SW	1.45	.070	360° Inter., Pipe Side	19%
-3	E-P	SW	1.45	.070	360° Inter., Elbow Side	
-4	P-SE	FW	1.27	.070	None	
-5	SE-N	SW			Not Examined	
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WELD NO.	WELD TYPE	WELD FAB.	SRI	% C		SIGNIFICANT INDICATIONS	% THRU-WALL(MAX)
RECIRCULATION SYSTEM	(Continued)						
2B31-1RC-12BR-A-1	BC-P	FW	1.04	.060	None		1
-2	P-E	SW	1.40	.060	None		
-3	E-P	SW	1.44	.060	360° 1	Inter., Pipe Side	25%
-4	P-SE	FW	1.21	.060	None		-
-5	SE-N	SW			None		
2B31-1RC-12BR-B-1	BC-P	FW	1.06	.070	None		
-2	P-E	SW	1.44	.070	360° 1	Inter., Pipe Side	26%
-3	E-P	SW	1.51	.070	360° I Sides	Inter., Pipe/Elbo	w 22%
-4	P-SE	FW	1.26	.070	360° I	Inter., Pipe Side	23%
-5	SE-N	SW			None		-
2B31-1RC-12BR-C-1	Red-P	FW	1.15	.065	None		
-2	P-E	SW	1.53	.065	360° I	Inter., Pipe Side	28%
-3	E-P	SW	1.60	.060	360° I	Inter., Pipe Side	30%
-4	P-SE	FW	1.38	.055	360° I	Inter., Pipe Side	32%
-5	SE-N	SW			None		
2B31-1RC-12BR-D-1	BC-P	FW	1.10	.060	None		
-2	Р-Е	SW	1.44	.060	360° I	Inter., Pipe Side	14%
-3	E-P	SW	1.53	.060	360° I	inter., Pipe Side	17%
-4	P-SE	FW	1.31	.060	None		
-5	SE-N	SW			None		
2B31-1RC-12BR-E-1	BC-P	FW	1.11	.060	None		
-2	Р-Е	SW	1.43	.060	None		
-3	E-P	SW	1.49	.060	360° I Sides	nter., Pipe/Elbov	22%
-3A	P-P	FW	Not Calc.		360° I	nter., Pipe Side	21%

WELD NO.	WELD TYPE	WELD FAB.	SRI	<u>%</u> С	SIGNIFICANT INDICATIONS	% THRU-WALL(MAX)
RECIRCULATION SYSTEM	(Continued)					
-4	P-SE	FW	1.29	.055	360° Inter., Pipe Side	18%
-5	SE-N	SW			None	
2B31-1RC-22AM-1	C-P	SW	1.16	.048	Parallel to weld Cap 53"L & 7 1/2"L Pipe 25 1/2"L & 9"L	C-42% P-14%
-2	P-CR	SW	1.13	.056	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-3	CR-P	SW	1.07	.056	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-4	P-C	SW	0.96	054	Parallel to weld, Pipe 60"L.	19%
2B31-1RC-22BM-1	C-P	SW	0.96	048	Parallel to weld, Cap 25 1'2"L & 5 1/2"L, Pip 27"L.	C-16% e P-40%
2	P-CR	SW	1.13	.056	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-3	CR-P	SW	1.10	.056	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-4	P-C	SW	0.96	.048	360° Inter., Pipe/Cap Sides	P-37% C-30%
2B31-1RC-22AM-1BC-1	P-BC	SW	0.98	.060	Shallow indications outside the HAZ. GPC to re-examine next refueling outage.	
-1BC-2	P-BC	SW	0.98	.060	Shallow indications outside the HAZ. GPC to re-examine next refueling outage.	

WELD NO.	WELD TYPE	WELD FAB.	SRI	% C	SIGNIFICANT INDICATIONS	% THRU-WALL (MAX)
RECIRCULATION SYSTEM	(Continued)					
2B31-1RC-22AM-3BC-1	P-BC	SW	1.01	.060	Shallow indications outside the HAZ. GPC to re-examine next refueling outage.	
3BC-2	P-BC	SW	1.01	.060	Shallow indications outside the HAZ. GPC to re-examine next refueling outage.	
2B31-1RC-22BM-1BC-1	P-BC	SW	1.01	.060	Shallow indications outside the HAZ. GPC to re-examine next refueling outage.	
1BC-2	P-BC	SW	1.06	.060	None	
2B31-1RC-22BM-3BC-1	P-BC	SW	1.03	.060	Shallow indications outside the HAZ. GPC to re-examine next refueling outage.	
3BC-2	P-BC	SW	1.02	060	Shallow indications outside the HAZ. GPC to re-examine next refueling outage.	
2B31-1RC-28A-1	N-SE	SW		1.0	None	
2	SE-P	FW	1.08	.045	None	
-3	P-E	SW	1.46	.060	Parallel to weld, Elbow Side 5 1/4"L.	12%
4	E-P	SW	1.35	.060	360° Inter., Elbow Side	17%
-5	P-T	FW	0.96	.062	None	
-6	T-P	SW	0.92	.062	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-7	P-E	SW	1.30	.057	360° Inter., Pipe/Elbow Sides	P-8% E-4%
-8	E-V	FW	1.03	.057	None	<u>-</u> -
-9	V-P	FW	1.01	.045	None	

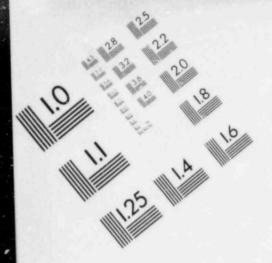
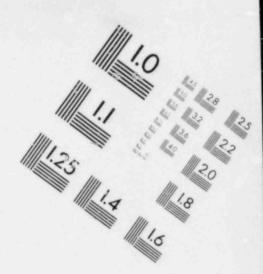
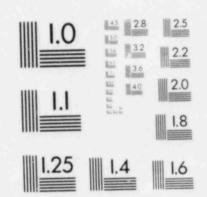
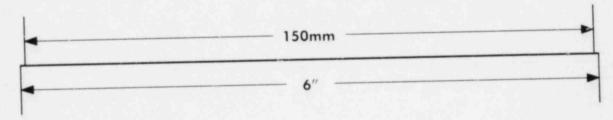
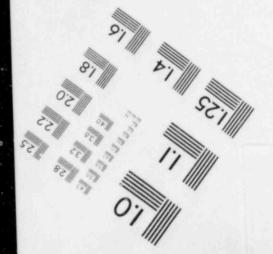


IMAGE EVALUATION TEST TARGET (MT-3)









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WELD NO.	WELD TYPE	WELD FAB.	SRI	% C	SIGNIFICANT INDICATIONS	% THRU-WALL(MAX)
RECIRCULATION SYSTEM	(Continued)					
2B31-1RC-28A-10	P-E	SW	1.46	.056	Parallel to weld, Pipe Side - 1 1/4"L	10%
-11	E-Pu	FW	1.03	.056	None	_
-12	Pu-P	FW	1.13	.041	None	
-13	P-V	FW	1.03	.041	None	
-14	V-E	FW	1.07	.058	None	
-15	E-P	SW	1.40	.058	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-16	P-T	SW	1.24	.062	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-17	T-C	SW	1.09	.062	None	
-18	CR-Red	SW	1.04	.063	None	-
2B31-1RC-28B-1	N-SE	SW			Not Examined	
2	SE-P	FW	1.01	045	None	
- 3	P-E	SW	1.28	.060	360° Inter., Pipe Side	15%
-4	E-P	SW	1.21	.060	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-5	P-P	FW	0.91	.045	None	
-7	P-E	SW	1.29	.057	360° Inter., Pipe Side	18%
-8	E-V	FW	1.37	.057	360° Inter., Elbow Side	7%
-9	V-P	FW	1.01	.045	None	
-10	P-E	SW	1.41	.056	360° Inter., Pipe/Elbow Sides	P-19% E-20%

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RECIRCULATION SYSTEM	(Continued)					
-11	E-Pu	FW	1.02	.056	None	
-12	Pu-P	FW	1.13	.041	None	-
-13	P-V	FW	1.03	.041	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-14	V-E	FW	1.05	.056	None	
-15	E-P	SW	1.32	.056	360° Inter., Elbow Side	23%
-16	P-T	SW	1.24	.062	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-17	T-C	SW	1.08	.062	None	
-18	C-Red	SW	1.03	.063	None	
2B31-1RC-4AA-1	BC-C	FW(?)		-	None	4-
-4AB-1	BC-C	FW(?)			None	-
-4BC-1	BC-C	FW(?)			None	
-4BD-1	BC-C	FW(?)			None	
2B31-1RC-6A-1	P-FL	FW(?)			None	
-6B-1	P-FL	FW(?)			None	-
RHR SYSTEM						
2E11-1RHR-20-RS-1	T-P	FW	1.33	.062	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
- 2	P-E	FW	1.61	.056	360° Inter., Pipe Side	13%
-3	E-P	FW	1.56	.056	360° Inter., Elbow Side	14%
2E11-1RHR-24A-R-10	P-E	FW	2.57	.060	None	

WELD NO.	WELD TYPE	WELD FAB.	SRI	% C	SIGNIFICANT INDICATIONS % 7	THRU-WALL (MAX)
RHR SYSTEM (Continued)					
2E11-1RHR-24A-R-11	E-P	FW	1.69	.062	None	
-12	P-E	FW	1.70	.062	None	
-13	E-T	FW	1.74	.060	None	
2E11-1RHR-24B-R-10	Р-Е	FW	2.58	.060	None	
-11	E-P	FW	1.68	.062	Parallel to weld, Elbow Side 1-5/8"L, 2-10 9/16"L.	13% 18%
-12	P-E	FW	1.70	.062	Shallow indications in the HAZ called inside geometry. GPC to re- examine next refueling outage.	
-13	E-T	FW	1.74	.060	None	
RWCU SYSTEM						
2G31-1RWCU-6-D-1	BC-P		1.24	.064	Not Examined	
-2	P-E		1.92	.064	None	
-3	E-P		1.82	.064	None	
-4	P-P		1.22	.064	Not Examined	
-5	P-E		1.80	.064	None	-
-6	E-P		1.98	.064	None	-
-7	P-V		1.68	.064	None	
-8	V-P		1.58	.064	Not Examined	
-9	P-E		1.42	.064	Not Examined	
-10	E-P		1.40	.064	Not Examined	
-11	P-P		1.02	.064	Not Examined	
-12	P-E		1.44	.064	Not Examined	
-13	E-P		1.46	.064	Not Examined	
-14	P-E		1.34	.064	Not Examined	
-15	E-P		1.33	.056	Not Examined	

WELD	NO.	WELD TYPE	WELD FAB.	SRI	% C		SIGNIFICANT INDICATIONS	% THRU-WALL(MAX)
RWCU SYSTE	M (Continue	ed)						
	-16	P-V		1.28	.045	Not	Examined	
	-17	V-P		1.31	.063	Not	Examined	
	-17A	PX-P		1.30	.063	Not	Examined	
	-18	P-V		1.11	.061	Not	Examined	

KEY

FW - Field Weld CR - Cross

SW - Shop Weld PX - Penetration

P - Pipe N - Nozzle

Pu - Pump E - Elbow

SE - Safe End FL - Flange

T - Tee BC - Branch Connection

Red - Reducer C - Cap

V - Valve

Example: Under "Weld Type" column, P-E is the abbreviation for a pipe-to-elbow weld.

ATTACHMENT 2

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS
FOR
WELDS HAVING
UNACCEPTABLE INDICATIONS

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RHR System

20-RS-1 24-B-R-12

NOTE: As stated previously in this response to NRC I&E Bulletin 83-02, a separate report on the various analyses and repairs will be submitted under separate cover to NRC NRR. A copy of that report will be submitted to NRC Region II for review.

ATTACHMENT 3

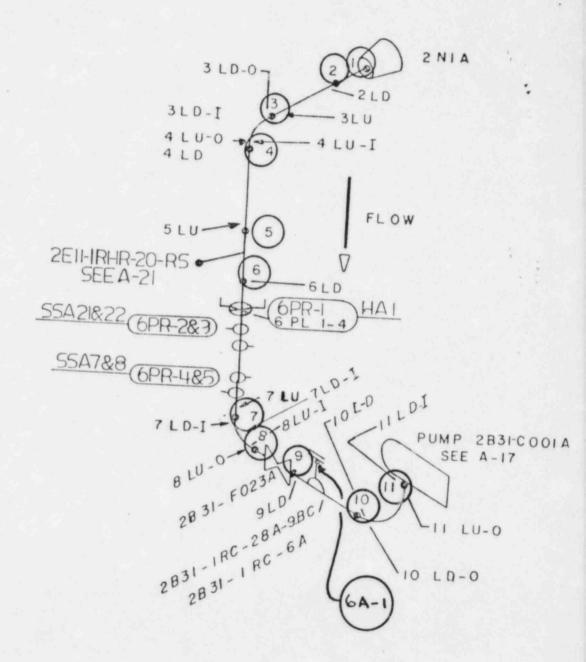
ISOMETRIC DRAWINGS FOR RECIRCULATION, RHR, AND RWCU SYSTEMS PUMP A SUCTION 2 831-1RC-6A 2 831-1RC-28A 1-11

REACTOR RECIRCULATION SYSTEM

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PIPE :	28"	28"
MAT. :	SS	SS
SCH.	x	x
N. WALL :	1.280"	1.80"
CAL BLOCK:	28-SS-X	-1.80-84-н
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REF. PAID : H-26003

LOCATION : CONTAINMENT



PUMPA DISCHARGE 2831-IRC-4AA 2831-IRC-4AB 2831-IRC-28A REACTOR RECIRCULATION SYSTEM

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REF. PAID: H-26003 LOCATION: CONTAINMENT

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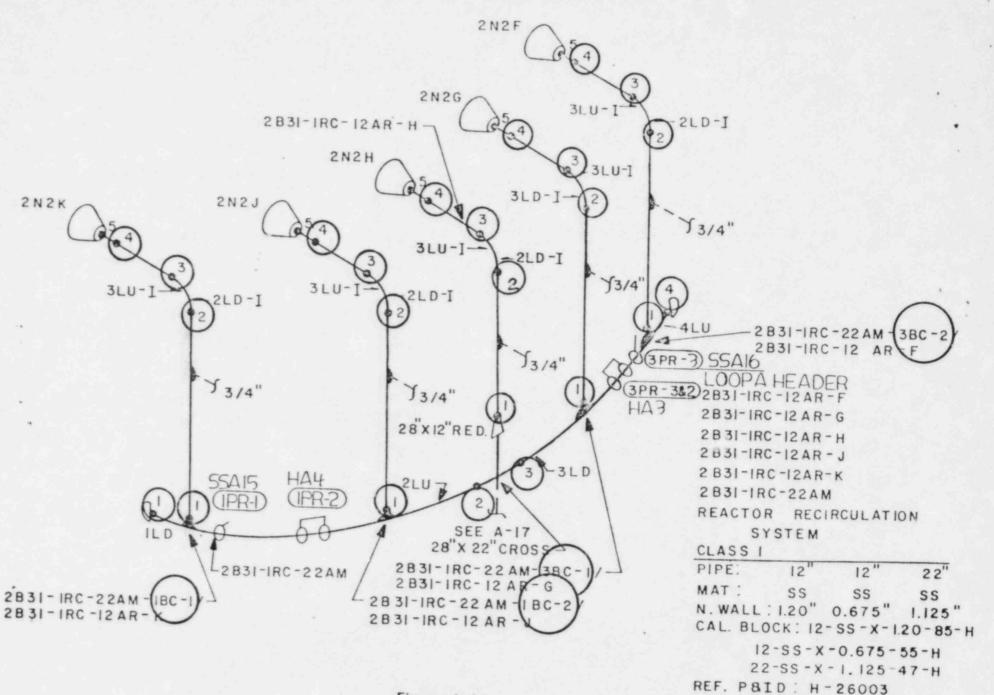


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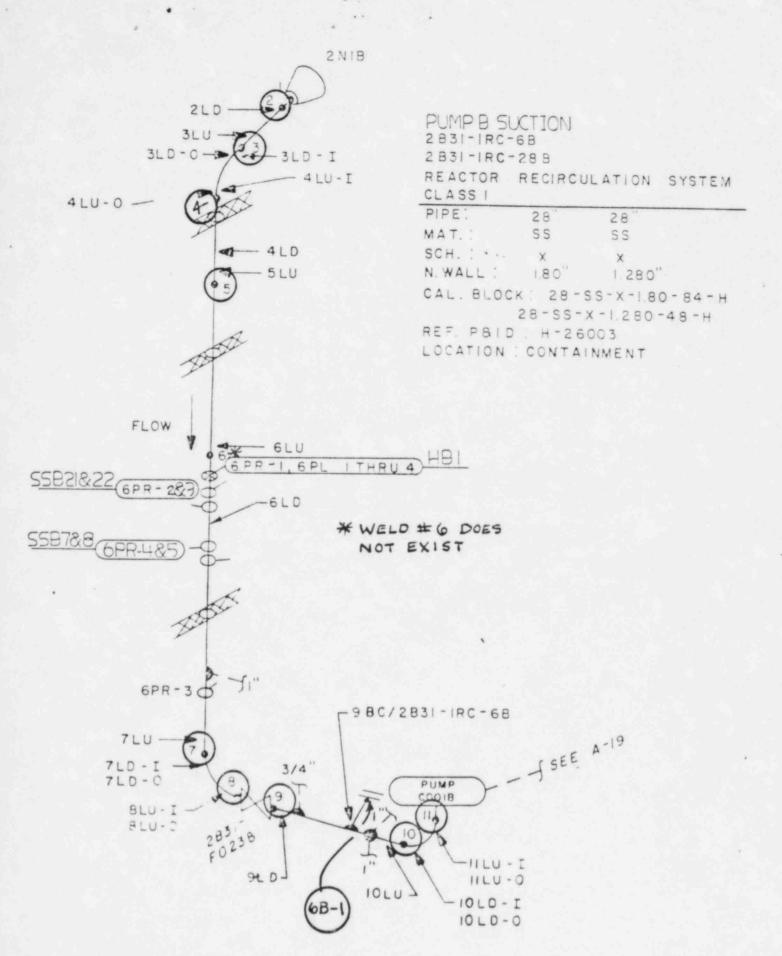
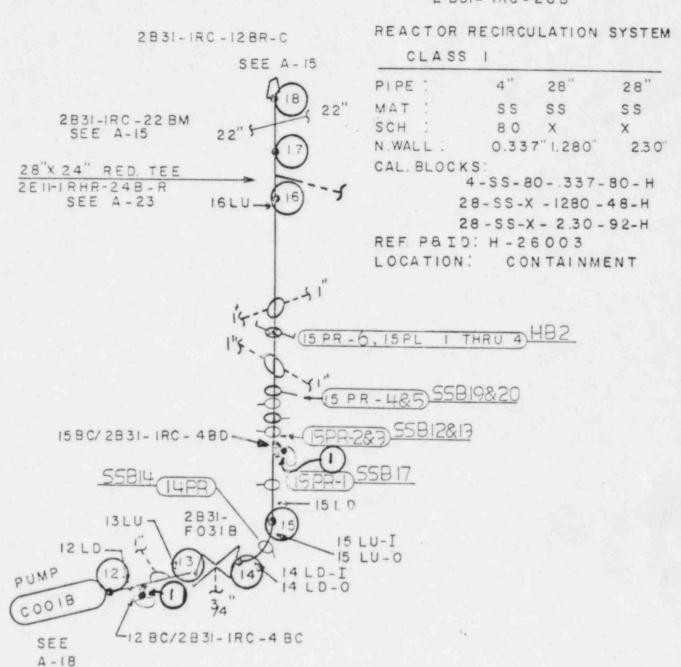
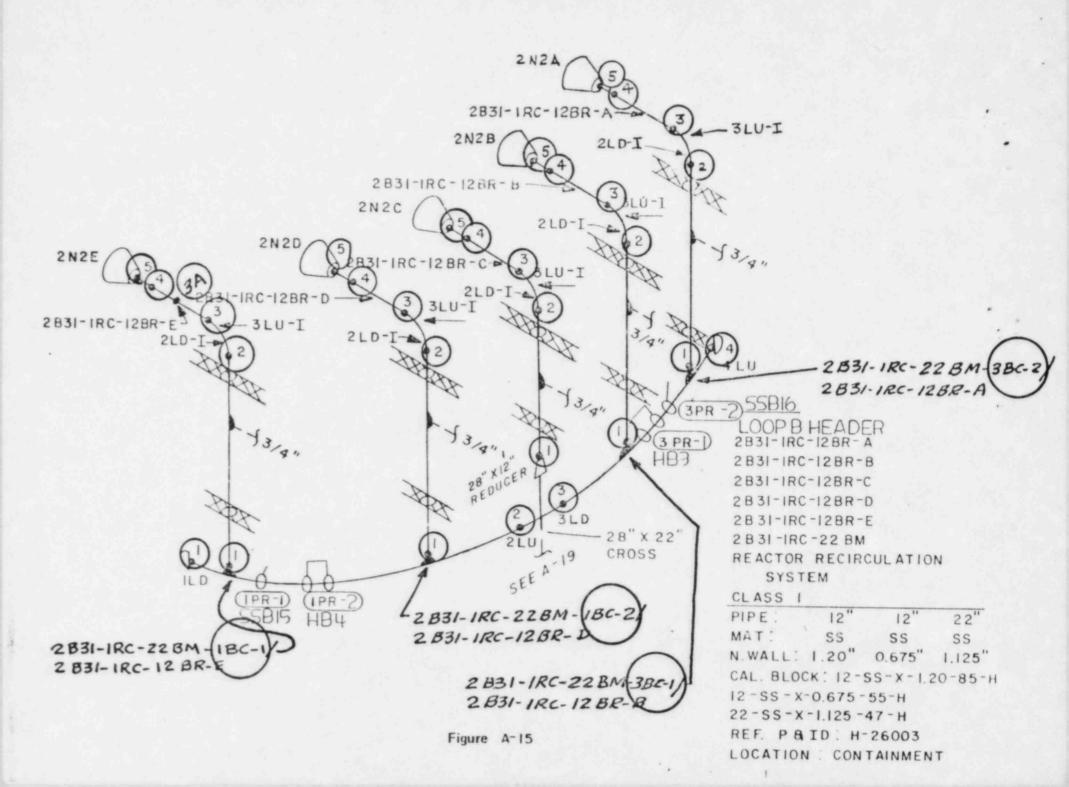
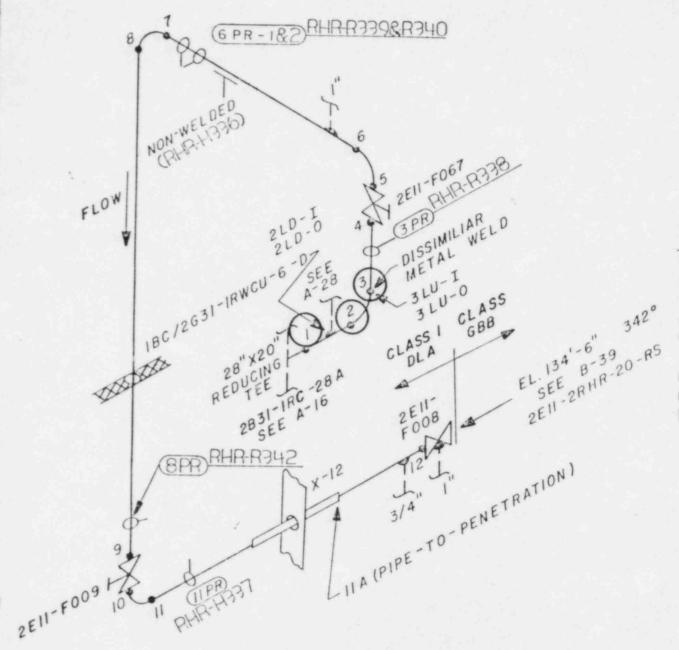


Figure A-18

PUMPB DISCHARGE 2 B 31 - IRC - 4 BC 2 B 31 - IRC - 4 BD 2 B 31 - IRC - 2 8 B







SHUTDOWN COOLING SUCTION 2E11-1RHR-20-RS RESIDUAL HEAT REMOVAL SYSTEM CLASS 1 PIPE: 20" 20" MAT: SS CS SCH : X 100 1.031" 1.280" N. WALL: CAL. BLOCK: 20-SS-X-1.031-105-H; 20-CS-100-1.280-51-H REF. P & ID: H-26015 LOCATION CONTAINMENT NOTE: ALL HANGER MARK NUMBERS PRECEDED BY 2E11

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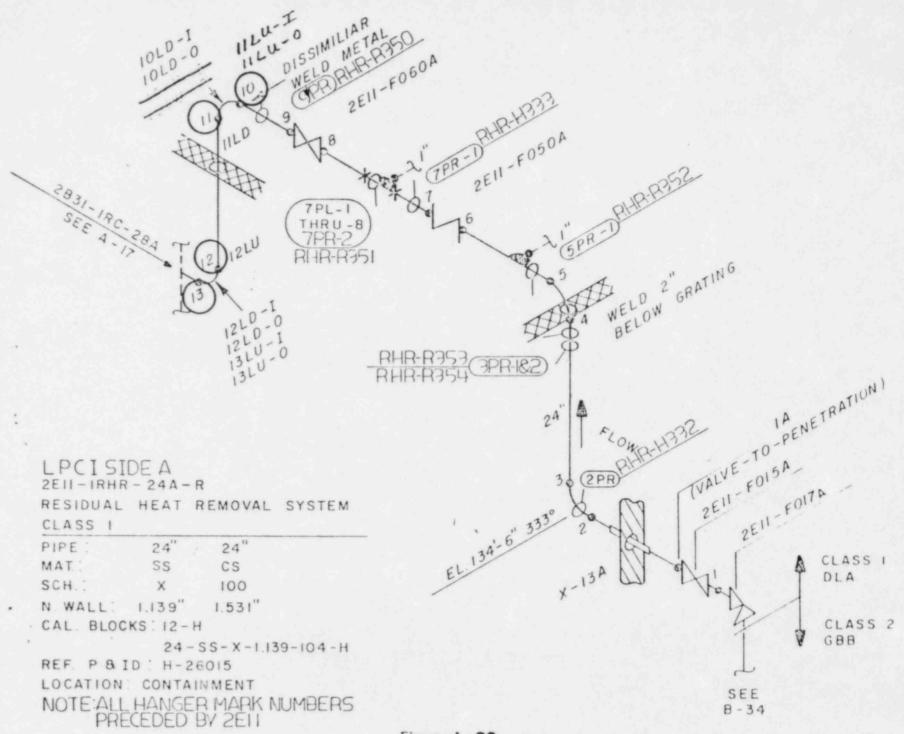
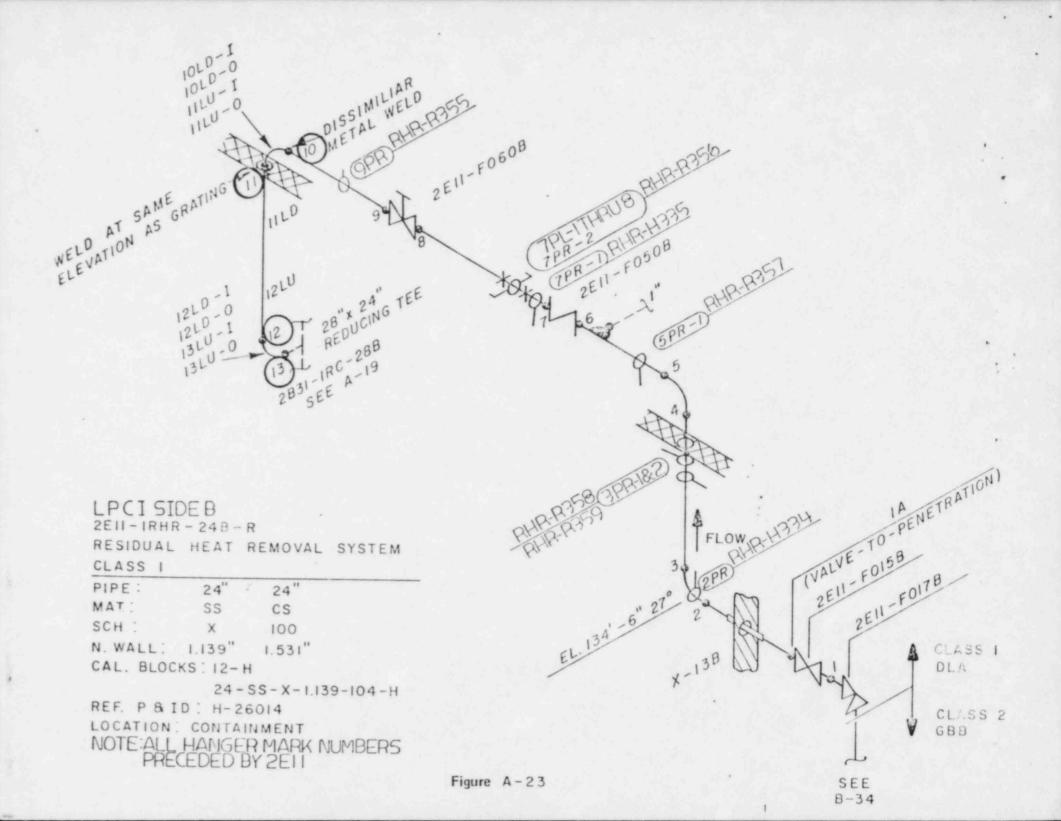


Figure A-22



RWCU PUMP SUCTION 2G31-IRWCU-6-D REACTOR WATER CLEAN-UP SYSTEM CLASS I 6" PIPE :

MAT : SS

SCH. 80

N.WALL: 0.432"

CAL.BLOCK : 2-H

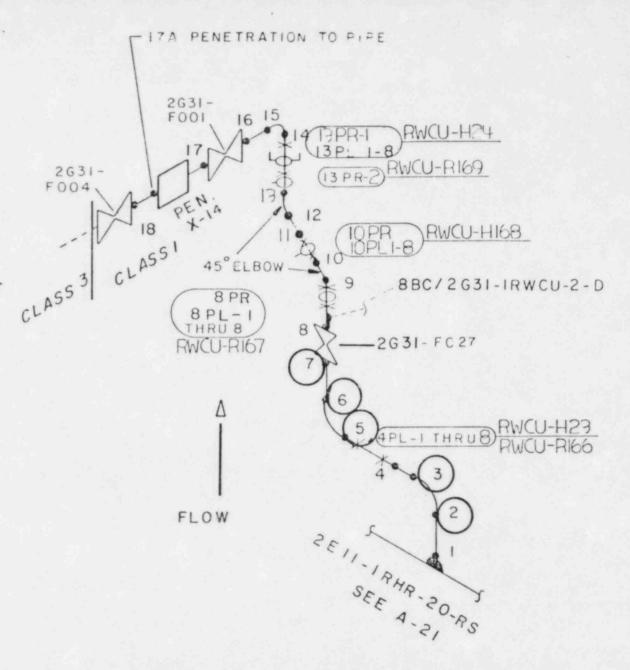
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CONTAINMENT LOCATION :

NOTE ALL HANGER MARK

NUMBERS PRECEDED

BY 2G31



ATTACHMENT 2



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May 20, 1983 GPC-07-011

Mr. J. A. Edwards Georgia Power Company Post Office Box 4545 333 Piedmont Avenue (N.E.) Atlanta, Georgia 30302

Subject: Evaluation of Welds with UT Indications in the Hatch 2 Large Bore Recirculation System Piping

Dear Mr. Edwards:

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the preliminary results of the NUTECH evaluation of the two largest UT indications in the large bore Recirculation System piping at Plant Hatch Unit 2. The approach used in this evaluation was to perform a very conservative crack growth analysis based on the flaw characterization provided by Georgia Power Company. The results are shown in Figures 1 and 2 for the indications in welds 28B-15 and 28B-10, respectively. Examination of Figures 1 and 2 will show that the as-characterized UT indications will not grow to the Code allowable size for at least 26 months. An alternate way of assessing the margin is that the current allowable crack size is at least 1.25 times the largest actual crack size (28B-15).

Discussion

The allowable end of fuel cycle crack size was determined based on Reference 1. The loads used in the determination of allowable crack size are design pressure, dead weight and OBE seismic. The resulting stresses at each specific crack location were obtained from the original Stress Report for the Hatch 2 Recirculation System (Reference 2). The allowable crack size is plotted as a dashed line in Figures 1 and 2.

The predicted growth of the existing UT indications requires several inputs:

- 1) Steady state applied stress
- 2) Weld residual stress
- 3) Flaw characterization
- 4) Crack growth model
- 5) Crack growth law

The approach used was to use conservative input for applied stress, residual stress, crack growth model and crack growth law. Thus, the result of the analysis is a very conservative prediction of crack size versus time.

The steady state loads at each crack location due to operating pressure, dead weight and thermal expansion were obtained from Reference 2. The steady state stresses were then calculated based on design minimum wall thickness at each specific location.

The weld residual stress was obtained from a set of NUTECH standard residual stress curves (Reference 3). The residual axial stress curve for large bore piping from Reference 3 is shown in Figure 3.

The flaw sizes were obtained from Reference 4 and are shown in Table 1 for both welds 28B-10 and 28B-15 which contain the largest flaws in the large bore piping. It was conservatively assumed that the crack was full depth for the entire circumference.

The crack growth model is an edge cracked plate. The growth rate predicted through the use of a cracked cylinder model would be much slower. Figure 4 uses the same input as Figure 1 except for use of the cracked cylinder model instead of the edge cracked plate. Figure 4 shows a growth rate less than one tenth of Figure 1. Figure 4 is not strictly applicable to the Recirculation System piping as the thickness to radius ratio of the Recirculation System piping is slightly less than 0.1. However, Figure 4 does indicate the magnitude of conservatism in Figures 1 and 2.

The crack growth law is the upper bound law from Reference 5 and is given below:

 $\frac{da}{dT} = 4.116 \times 10^{-12} \text{ K}^{4.615}$

da = Differential crack size

dT = Differential time

K = Applied stress intensity factor

Inspection of Figures 1 and 2 will show that crack growth rates of up to 2 \times 10⁻⁴ inch per hour are predicted in the final month before the allowable crack depth is reached. The validity of the crack growth law applied to large flaws is based on linear extrapolation of measured crack growth

rates versus crack tip stress intensity factor. Such high growth rates (2 X 10^{-4} inch per hour) have not been observed in realistic laboratory or field situations. It is likely that a realistic upper bound weld sensitized IGSCC crack growth rate in an operating BWR is less than 2 X 10^{-4} inch per hour.

The results of the crack growth evaluations are given in Figures 1 and 2 for welds 28B-15 and 28B-10, respectively. The initial crack size of 23% of the wall thickness for weld 28B-15 will grow to the allowable size of 63% in approximately 26 months or about one and one half 18 month fuel cycles. Another way of expressing the same margin is to determine the crack size that would grow to the allowable crack size in the next 18 month fuel cycle. From Figure 1 for weld 28B-15, a crack size of 29% would grow to the allowable of 63% in 18 months. Thus, the currently allowable crack size is 29%, which is 1.25 times the largest measured crack size.

Summary

Very conservative crack growth evaluations have been performed which show that the UT indications in the large bore Recirculation piping at Plant Hatch Unit 2 will not grow to the Code (Reference 1) allowable size for at least 26 months. Or stated another way, the currently allowable crack size is at least 1.25 times the largest measured crack size.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the information presented herein, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Charnley.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Charnley, P.E.

Project Engineer

N. Eng Project Manager

JEC: NE/gmm

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 JEC-83-013
 NE-83-126

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REFERENCES

- ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Section XI, Paragraph IWB-3640 (proposed), "Acceptance Criteria for Austenitic Stainless Steel Piping"
- 2. General Electric Report 22A4264AA, Revision 0
- NUTECH Internal Memo PCR-83-003, March 4, 1983, "Weld Residual Stresses for IGSCC Crack Growth Evaluations"
- 4. Indication Notification Forms

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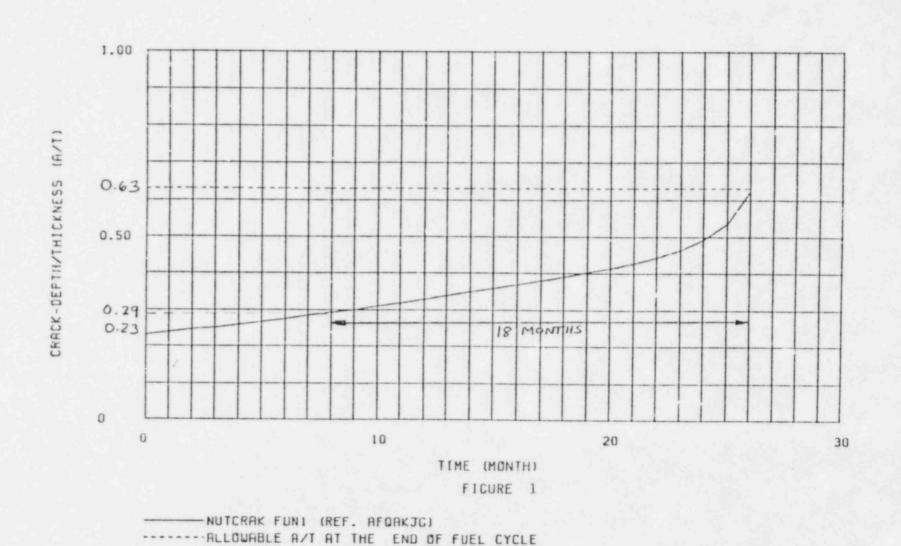
5. EPRI-2423-LD, "Stress Corrosion Cracking of Type 304 Stainless Steel in High Purity Water - A Compilation of Crack Growth Rates," June 1982

TABLE 1

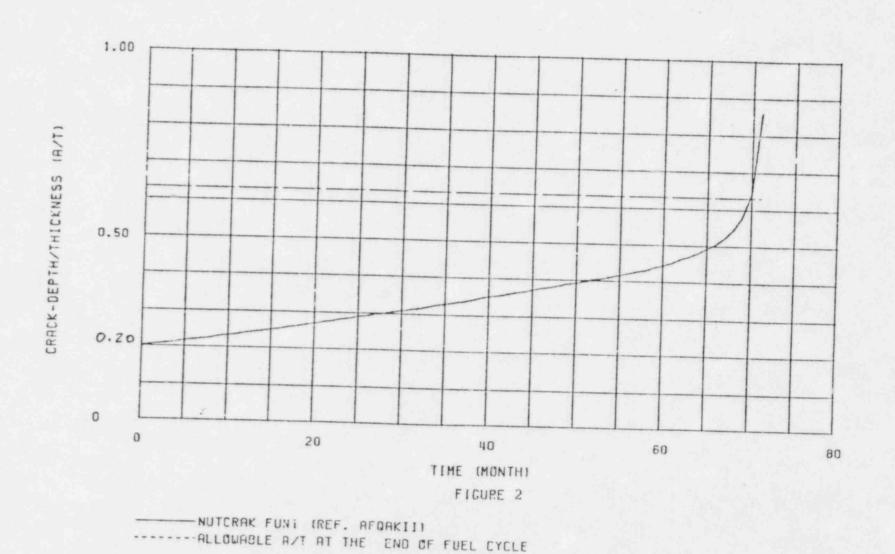
UT CHARACTERIZATION

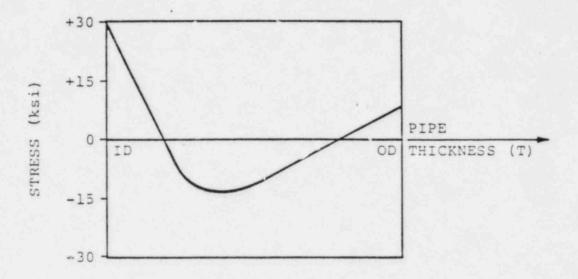
Weld Number	Crack Orientation	Characterization Length	Maximum Depth
2B31-1RC-28B-10	Circumferential	Essentially 3600	20%
2B31-1RC-28B-15	Circumferential	Essentially 360°	23%

P-EL WELD (ISI WELD ID: B15) (OD=28. IN, T=1.384 IN) (ELBOW SIDE)



P-EL WELD (ISI WELD ID : B10) (OD=28. IN, T=1.089 IN)





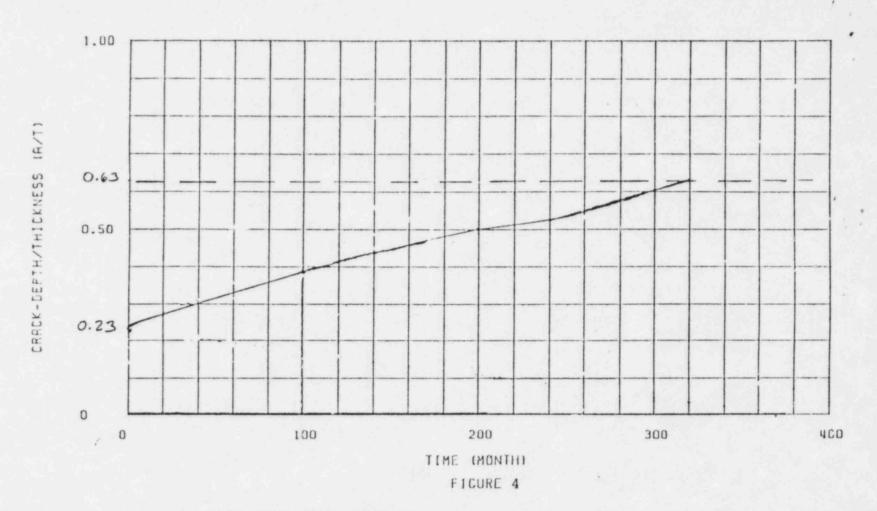
T%	STRESS (ksi)
0	+30.0
19	0.0
25	- 9.9
39	-14.2
50	-12.0
81	0.0
100	+ 8.1

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Figure 3

AXIAL RESIDUAL STRESS
PIPE DIAMETER CF 20" TO 28"

IGSCC CROWTH ANALYSIS (CIR. CRACK) P-EL WELD (ISI WELD ID: B15) (OD=28. IN, T=1.384 IN) (ELBOW SIDE)



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May 23, 1983 GPC-07-012

Mr. J. A. Edwards Georgia Power Company Post Office Box 4545 333 Piedmont Avenue (N.E.) Atlanta, Georgia 30302

Subject:

Stress Intensity as a Function of Crack

Depth for Weld 28B15

Reference:

NUTECH Letter GPC-07-011, J. E. Charnley and N. Eng to J. A. Edwards, dated May 20, 1983

Dear Mr. Edwards:

The attached four (4) tables give the stress intensity as a function of crack depth for both applied and residual stress for Weld 28Bl5. The first two (2) tables apply to an edge cracked plate model (Figure 1 of the reference). The last two (2) tables apply to an I.D. cracked cylinder model (Figure 4 of the reference).

If you have any questions or comments regarding the information presented herein, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Charnley.

Very truly yours,

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1.3568 -60.45320 1.3881 -62.18616

-60.45320

MAX. CRACK DEPTH OF 1.409 INCH; PLATE THICKNESS OF 1.566 INCH

CRACK DEPTH	KI STRESS INTENSITY	
.0100	5.59612	WELD 28B15
.0413	10.42685	20073
.0726	12.61257	
-1040	13.69314	RESIDUAL STRESS
.1353	14.09141	MESIDANC SINGS
.1666	14.18126	
.1979	14.30501	
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.2606	13.84446	FLA:E
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.4798	8.08938	
.5111	6.81954	
.5424	5.34304	
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.6364	.16860	
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.7617	-3.57702	
.7930	-4.48700	
.8243	-5.19603	
.8556	-5.99783	
.8870	-6.86486	
.9183	-7.76898	
.9809	-8.87967 -10.67525	
1.0122	-12.85623	
1.0436	-15.40106	
1.0749	-18.28874	
1.1062	-22.28564	
1.1375	-28.52150	
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1.2002	-42.78405	
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1.2628	-53.55429	
1.2941	-56-15144	
1.3254	-58.44660	

MAX. CRACK DEPTH OF 1.409 INCH; PLATE THICKNESS OF 1.300 INCH

CRACK	KI STRESS INTENSITY	
527111	1111111111	WELD 28 B15
.0100	1.66890	
.0413	3.43955	APPLIED STRESS
.0726	4.62296	WLITTER 21400
-1040	5.60526	
.1353	6.47937	
+1666	7.34546	EDGE CRACKED PLATE
.1979	8.31562	
.2292	9.28243	
.2606	10.25126	
.2919	11.22566	
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.3858	14.64804	
.4172 .4485	15.87982	
.4798	17.13794	
.5111	20.16948	
.5424	21.85967	
.5738	23.59409	
.6051	25.37164	
-6364	27.42754	
.6677	30.05193	
-6990	32.75163	
-7304	35.52464	
.7617	38.36913	
.7930	41.61297	
.8243	45.65428	
.8556	49.80177	
.8870	54.05294	
.9183	58.40530	
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.9809	70,83938	
1.0122	78.18145	
1.0436	85.69729	
1.1062	93.38339	
1.1375	119.69214	
1.1688	136.03327	
1.2002	132.74404	
1.2315	169.81767	
1.2628	171.96358	
1.2941	174.08304	TABLE Z
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1.3568	178.24638	
1.3881	180.29200	

-20.98946

-20.54097

-20.00413

1.3568

1.3881

MAX. CRACK DEPTH OF 1.409 INCH; PLATE THICKNESS OF 1.566 INCH

CRACK DEPTH	KI STRESS INTENSITY			
.0100 .0413	5.74346 10.67709	WE	10 2	18815
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.6051 .6364 .6677	-1.66127 -2.96123 -4.25826			
.6990 .7304 .7617 .7930 .8243 .8556 .8870 .9183 .9496 .9809 1.0122 1.0436 1.0749 1.1052 1.1375 1.1688 1.2002	-5.54812 -6.82285 -8.07494 -9.35912 -10.75895 -12.14695 -13.51734 -14.86483 -15.91292 -16.30195 -16.53133 -16.74609 -16.79188 -17.16487 -18.41279 -19.59218 -20.69680			
1.2315 1.2628 1.2941	-21.72120 -21.58737 -21.34096			

TABLE 3

IAX.	CRACK	DEPTH	OF	1.409	INCH	PLATE	THICKNESS	OF	1.566	INCH

CRACK DEPTH	KI STRESS INTENSITY				
.0100 .0413	1.70971		WELD	28815	
.0726	4.65996				
.1040	5.60587		APPLIED	STRESS	
.1353	6.43027			-,,,	
.1666	7.19627	7 0			
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.2292 .2606	8.68799				
.2919	10.08162	*			
.3232	10.77852				
.3545	11.51876				
.3858	12.25682				
.4172	12.99414				
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.4798	14.52083				
-5111	15.42484				
•5424 •5738	16.34119				
.6051	18.21113				
.6364	19.18107				
.5677	20.19981				
.6990	21.23335				
.7304	22.28156				
-7617	23.34430				
.7930	24.44894				
.8243	25.62871				
.8556	26.82589				
.8870	28.04025				
.9183	29.27157				
.9496	30.54974				
.9809	31.91066		*		
1.0436	34.69033				
1.0749	36.10857				
1.1052	37.58859				
1.1375	39.18156				
1.1688	40.79642				
1.2002	42.43287				
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