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Attention: Dr. Thomas Murley, Director

APPLICATION FOR WITHHOLDING PROPRIETARY
INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Subject: Westinghouse ECCS Model for Analysis of CE-NSSS

Dear Dr. Murley:

The proprietary information for which withholding is being requested in the enclosed letter by Omaha Public Power District is further identified in Affidavit CAW-91-192 signed by the owner of the proprietary information, Westinghouse Electric Corporation. The affidavit, which accompanies this letter, sets forth the basis on which the information may be withheld from public disclosure by the Commission and addresses with specificity the considerations listed in paragraph (b)(4) of 10 CFR Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations.

Accordingly, this letter authorizes the utilization of the accompanying Affidavit by Omaha Public Power District.

Correspondence with respect to the proprietary aspects of the application for withholding or the Westinghouse affidavit should reference this letter, CAW-91-192, and should be addressed to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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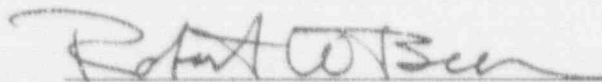
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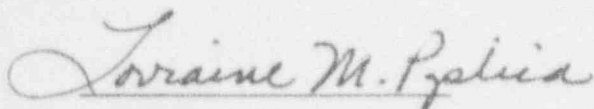
COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY:

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Robert W. Beer, who, being by me duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Westinghouse Electric Corporation ("Westinghouse") and that the averments of fact set forth in this Affidavit are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief:



Robert W. Beer, Manager
Operations Engineering Technology

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 30th day
of July, 1991.



Notary Public

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MY COMMISSION EXPIRES DEC. 14, 1991

- (1) I am Manager, Operations Engineering Technology, in the Nuclear and Advanced Technology Division, of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation and as such, I am authorized to perform, on the behalf of Ronald P. DiPiazza, the function of reviewing the proprietary information sought to be withheld from public disclosure in connection with nuclear power plant licensing and rulemaking proceedings, and am authorized to apply for its withholding on behalf of the Westinghouse Energy Systems Business Unit.
- (2) I am making this Affidavit in conformance with the provisions of 10CFR Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations and in conjunction with the Westinghouse application for withholding accompanying this Affidavit.
- (3) I have personal knowledge of the criteria and procedures utilized by the Westinghouse Energy Systems Business Unit in designating information as a trade secret, privileged or as confidential commercial or financial information.
- (4) Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (b)(4) of Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, the following is furnished for consideration by the Commission in determining whether the information sought to be withheld from public disclosure should be withheld.
 - (i) The information sought to be withheld from public disclosure is owned and has been held in confidence by Westinghouse.

- (ii) The information is of a type customarily held in confidence by Westinghouse and not customarily disclosed to the public. Westinghouse has a rational basis for determining the types of information customarily held in confidence by it and, in that connection, utilizes a system to determine when and whether to hold certain types of information in confidence. The application of that system and the substance of that system constitutes Westinghouse policy and provides the rational basis required.

Under that system, information is held in confidence if it falls in one or more of several types, the release of which might result in the loss of an existing or potential competitive advantage, as follows:

- (a) The information reveals the distinguishing aspects of a process (or component, structure, tool, method, etc.) where prevention of its use by any of Westinghouse's competitors without license from Westinghouse constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies.
- (b) It consists of supporting data, including test data, relative to a process (or component, structure, tool, method, etc.), the application of which data secures a competitive economic advantage, e.g., by optimization or improved marketability.

- (c) Its use by a competitor would reduce his expenditure of resources or improve his competitive position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing a similar product.
- (d) It reveals cost or price information, production capacities, budget levels, or commercial strategies of Westinghouse, its customers or suppliers.
- (e) It reveals aspects of past, present, or future Westinghouse or customer funded development plans and programs of potential commercial value to Westinghouse.
- (f) It contains patentable ideas, for which patent protection may be desirable.
- (g) It is not the property of Westinghouse, but must be treated as proprietary by Westinghouse according to agreements with the owner.

There are sound policy reasons behind the Westinghouse system which include the following:

- (a) The use of such information by Westinghouse gives Westinghouse a competitive advantage over its competitors. It is, therefore, withheld from disclosure to protect the Westinghouse competitive position.

- (b) It is information which is marketable in many ways. The extent to which such information is available to competitors diminishes the Westinghouse ability to sell products and services involving the use of the information.
- (c) Use by our competitor would put Westinghouse at a competitive disadvantage by reducing his expenditure of resources at our expense.
- (d) Each component of proprietary information pertinent to a particular competitive advantage is potentially as valuable as the total competitive advantage. If competitors acquire components of proprietary information, any one component may be the key to the entire puzzle, thereby depriving Westinghouse of a competitive advantage.
- (e) Unrestricted disclosure would jeopardize the position of prominence of Westinghouse in the world market, and thereby give a market advantage to the competition of those countries.
- (f) The Westinghouse capacity to invest corporate assets in research and development depends upon the success in obtaining and maintaining a competitive advantage.

- (iii) The information is being transmitted to the Commission in confidence and, under the provisions of 10CFR Section 2.790, it is to be received in confidence by the Commission.

- (iv) The information sought to be protected is not available in public sources or available information has not been previously employed in the same original manner or method to the best of our knowledge and belief.

- (v) The proprietary information sought to be withheld in this submittal is that which is appropriately marked in "Westinghouse ECCS Evaluation Model For Analysis of CE-NSSS", WCAP-13027, (Proprietary), July 1991, for Fort Calhoun Station Unit 1, being transmitted by the Omaha Public Power District Company (OPPD) letter and Application for Withholding Proprietary Information from Public Disclosure, Mr. W. G. Gates, OPPD, to Document Control Desk. The proprietary information as submitted for use by Omaha Public Power District for the Fort Calhoun Station Unit 1 is expected to be applicable in other licensee submittals in response to certain NRC requirements for justification of Westinghouse evaluation models for Combustion Engineering NSSS.

This information is part of that which will enable Westinghouse to:

- (a) Justify the application of the Westinghouse evaluation model to CE NSSS.
- (b) Provide analysis methodology to perform large and small break LOCA analyses or CE NSSS.
- (c) Assist the customer in obtain a licensee.NRC approval.

Further this information has substantial commercial value as follows:

- (a) Westinghouse plans to sell the use of similar information to its customers for purposes of satisfying NRC requirements for licensing documentation.
- (b) Westinghouse can sell support and defense of this methodology to its customers in the licensing process.

Public disclosure of this proprietary information is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of Westinghouse because it would enhance the ability of competitors to provide similar analytical methodologies and licensing defense services for commercial power reactors without commensurate expenses. Also, public disclosure of the information would enable others to use the information to meet NRC requirements for licensing documentation without purchasing the right to use the information.

The development of the technology described in part by the information is the result of applying the results of many years of experience in an intensive Westinghouse effort and the expenditure of a considerable sum of money.

In order for competitors of Westinghouse to duplicate this information, similar technical programs would have to be performed and a significant manpower effort, having the requisite talent and experience, would have to be expended for the development of analytical methods and testing.

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FORT CALHOUN UNIT 1
CONTROL ELEMENT ASSEMBLY
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The average core energy addition, calculated as described above, is multiplied by the appropriate hot channel factors, and the hot spot analysis is performed using the detailed fuel and cladding transient heat transfer computer code, FACTRAN (Reference 3). This computer code calculates the transient temperature distribution in a cross section of a metal clad UO_2 fuel rod, and the heat flux at the surface of the rod, using as input the nuclear power versus time and the local coolant conditions. The zirconium-water reaction is explicitly represented, and all material properties are represented as functions of temperature. A conservative parabolic radial pellet power generation is used within the fuel rod.

FACTRAN uses the Dittus-Boelter (Reference 4) or Jens-Lottes (Reference 5) correlation to determine the film heat transfer before DNB, and the Bishop-Sandberg-Tong correlation (Reference 6) to determine the film boiling coefficient after DNB. The DNB heat flux is not calculated; instead the code is forced into DNB by specifying a conservative DNB heat flux. The gap heat transfer coefficient can be calculated by the code; however, it is adjusted in order to force the full power steady state pellet temperature distribution to agree with that predicted by design fuel heat transfer codes.

For full power cases, the design initial hot channel peaking factor is input to the code. The hot channel factor during the transient is assumed to increase linearly from the initial steady state design value to the maximum transient value in 0.05 seconds, and remain at the maximum for the duration of the transient. The values for ejected rod worths and peaking factors are calculated using multi-dimensional calculations. No credit is taken for the flux-flattening effects of reactivity feedback. This is conservative, since detailed spatial kinetics models show that the hot channel factor decreases shortly after the nuclear power peak due to power flattening caused by preferential feedback in the hot channel. Appropriate margins are added to the results to allow for calculational uncertainties.

Results

The magnitude of fuel failure can be determined by the following limits:

- (1) The average fuel pellet deposited energy at the hot spot is no greater than 200 cal/gram (clad damage threshold).
- (2) The centerline enthalpy threshold for incipient melting is no greater than 250 cal/gram.
- (3) The centerline enthalpy threshold for the fully molten condition is no greater than 310 cal/gram.

The criterion for determining the fraction of fuel rods that will release their radioactive fission products during the CEA ejection is the same as item (1) above for determining clad damage. Thus, it is assumed that any fuel rod that exceeds a total average enthalpy of 200 cal/gram releases all of its gap activity. The gap activity corresponding to the most limiting fuel rod during the cycle is conservatively assumed for each rod that suffers clad damage.

Table 1 lists the significant input variables for the limiting analyses at full power and zero power. All of the ejected CEA worths and radial peaking factors include appropriate allowances for calculation uncertainties. In all cases analyzed, a conservative value of 0.05 seconds was assumed for the total ejection time. For the full power and zero power cases, a Variable Overpower trip is conservatively assumed to initiate at 112% and 29.1% (19.1% + 10% uncertainty) of full power, respectively. The initial conditions assume the core was operating at 102% of full power for the full power cases while an initial power of 10^{-9} of nominal was assumed for the zero power case.

TABLE 1
CEA EJECTION ACCIDENT ASSUMPTIONS

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Analysis Value</u>
<u>Full Power</u>		
Moderator Temperature Coefficient	$10^{-4} \Delta\rho/^\circ\text{F}$	+0.5
Doppler Defect	% $\Delta\rho$	-1.25
Ejected CEA worth	% $\Delta\rho$	0.36
Delayed Neutron Fraction, β		0.0061
Pre-ejected Rod Hot Spot Peaking Factor		2.52
Post-ejected Rod Hot Spot Peaking Factor		6.93
CEA Worth at Trip	% $\Delta\rho$	4.2
<u>Zero Power</u>		
Nominal Core Power Fraction		10^{-9}
Ejected CEA worth	% $\Delta\rho$	0.69
Delayed Neutron Fraction, β		0.0061
Post-ejected Rod Hot Spot Power		10.51
CEA Worth at Trip	% $\Delta\rho$	1.5

The results of the full and zero power CEA ejection events may be found in Table 2. This analysis was assessed against the Regulatory Guide 1.77 criteria (Reference 7) which limits the average hot pellet enthalpy to less than 280 cal/gram. The previous acceptance criteria of 200 cal/gram is more conservative with respect to the Regulatory Guide limit. The centerline melt criterion was not assessed in this analysis since the Regulatory Guide does not require it.

TABLE 2
CEA EJECTION ACCIDENT RESULTS

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Analysis Value</u>
<u>Full Power</u>	
Total Average Enthalpy of Hottest Fuel Pellet (cal/gram)	182.1
Total Centerline Enthalpy of Hottest Fuel Pellet (cal/gram)	286.6
Fraction of Rods That Suffer Clad Damage (Average Enthalpy \geq 200 cal/gram)	0.0
Fraction of Pellet at Hot Spot Having at Least Incipient Centerline Melting (Centerline Enthalpy \geq 250 cal/gram)	0.09
Fraction of Fuel Having a Fully Molten Centerline Condition (Centerline Enthalpy \geq 310 cal/gram)	0.0
<u>Zero Power</u>	
Total Average Enthalpy of Hottest Fuel Pellet (cal/gram)	60.6
Total Centerline Enthalpy of Hottest Fuel Pellet (cal/gram)	71.8
Fraction of Rods That Suffer Clad Damage (Average Enthalpy \geq 200 cal/gram)	0.0
Fraction of Pellet at Hot Spot Having at Least Incipient Centerline Melting (Centerline Enthalpy \geq 250 cal/gram)	0.0
Fraction of Fuel Having a Fully Molten Centerline Condition (Centerline Enthalpy \geq 310 cal/gram)	0.0

Radiological Consequences

The analysis of radiological consequences of a CEA ejection accident considers the release of secondary coolant activity as well as the reactor coolant activity released through the ruptured CEDM housing. The major assumptions used in the analysis are:

1. CEA ejection occurs while the reactor is operating at 102% of 1500 MWt with 1% failed fuel and a 1.0 gpm primary-to-secondary leak.

2. The steam generator equilibrium activity for both steam generators is assumed to be 0.1 Ci/gm DEC I-131.
3. Offsite power is lost; the main condenser is not available for steam relief via the turbine bypass system.
4. The activity available for leakage from containment is based on the equilibrium reactor coolant activity. The activity instantaneously available for release from the containment is 100% of the noble gases and 25% of the halogens.
5. The containment leakage rate is assumed to be 0.2 volume percent per day for the first 24 hours and 0.1 volume percent per day for the duration of the accident (1-30 days).
6. A post-accident decontamination factor of 10 was used in the steam generator between the water and steam phases.
7. The total activity released from the secondary system is presented in Table 3.

TABLE 3
ACTIVITIES RELEASED FROM THE SECONDARY SYSTEM

<u>Nuclide</u>	<u>Activity (Ci)</u>
Kr-83m	5.0 E-02
Kr-85m	2.6 E-01
Kr-85	4.4 E+01
Kr-87	1.4 E-01
Kr-68	4.8 E-01
Xe-131m	3.6 E-01
Xe-133m	5.5 E-01
Xe-133	5.0 E+01
Xe-135m	3.1 E-02
Xe-135	8.5 E-01
Xe-138	1.1 E-01
I-131	2.9 E+00
I-132	2.2 E-01
I-133	1.3 E+00
I-134	3.7 E-02
I-135	4.9 E-01

8. The total activity released from the containment, 0-2 hours and for 0-30 days, is presented in Table 4.

TABLE 4
ACTIVITIES RELEASED FROM THE CONTAINMENT

<u>Nuclide</u>	<u>Activity (Ci)</u>	
	<u>0-2 hrs</u>	<u>0-30 days</u>
Kr-83m	2.23 E-03	2.23 E-03
Kr-85m	1.40 E-02	1.46 E-02
Kr-85	2.66 E+00	4.57 E+02
Kr-87	5.37 E-03	5.37 E-03
Kr-88	2.36 E-02	2.37 E-02
Xe-131m	2.16 E-02	1.72 E+00
Xe-133m	3.46 E-02	5.34 E-01
Xe-133	3.15 E+00	1.26 E+02
Xe-135m	3.75 E-04	3.75 E-04
Xe-135	4.95 E-02	7.80 E-02
Xe-138	1.11 E-03	1.11 E-03
I-131	1.99 E-02	1.18 E+00
I-132	3.75 E-03	3.76 E-03
I-133	1.94 E-02	8.75 E-02
I-134	1.25 E-03	1.25 E-03
I-135	9.93 E-03	1.21 E-02

9. The dispersion factors for the EAB and the LPZ outer boundary are $2.55 \text{ E-}04 \text{ sec/m}^3$ and $4.53 \text{ E-}06 \text{ sec/m}^3$, respectively (Reference 8).
10. The adult breathing rate for the EAB and LPZ is assumed to be $3.47 \text{ E-}04 \text{ m}^3/\text{sec}$.

Based on these assumptions, the results doses are as follows:

	<u>Thyroid</u> <u>(Rems)</u>	<u>Whole Bod</u> <u>(Rems)</u>
EAB	4.4 E-01	1.8 E-03
LPZ	9.7 E-03	1.7 E-04

Conclusions

The analysis of the CEA ejection accident shows that the energy increase at the hot spot is limited and that no fuel rods suffer any significant damage following a CEA ejection from full or zero power at beginning or end of cycle.

The results of radiological consequences of a CEA ejection accident are presented above. The calculated values for thyroid dose and whole body dose show that the doses based on conservative assumptions are well within the limits specified in 10CFR, Part 100.

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In this analysis, the code is used as a one-dimensional axial kinetics code since it allows a more realistic representation of the spatial effects of axial moderator feedback and CEA movement. However, since the radial dimension is missing, it is still necessary to employ very conservative methods (described below) of calculating the ejected rod worth and hot channel factor.

The average core energy addition, calculated as described above, is multiplied by the appropriate hot channel factors, and the hot spot analysis is performed using the detailed fuel and cladding transient heat transfer computer code, FACTRAN (Reference 3). This computer code calculates the transient temperature distribution in a cross section of a metal clad UO_2 fuel rod, and the heat flux at the surface of the rod, using as input the nuclear power versus time and the local coolant conditions. The zirconium-water reaction is explicitly represented, and all material properties are represented as functions of temperature. A conservative parabolic radial pellet power generation is used within the fuel rod.

FACTRAN uses the Dittus-Boelter (Reference 4) or Jens-Lottes (Reference 5) correlation to determine the film heat transfer before DNB, and the Bishop-Sandberg-Tong correlation (Reference 6) to determine the film boiling coefficient after DNB. The DNB heat flux is not calculated; instead the code is forced into DNB by specifying a conservative DNB heat flux. The gap heat transfer coefficient can be calculated by the code; however, it is adjusted in order to force the full power steady state pellet temperature distribution to agree with that predicted by design fuel heat transfer codes.

For full power cases, the design initial hot channel peaking factor is input to the code. The hot channel factor during the transient is assumed to increase linearly from the initial steady state design value to the maximum transient value in 0.05 seconds, and remain at the maximum for the duration of the transient. The values for ejected rod worths and peaking factors are calculated using multi-dimensional calculations. No credit is taken for the flux-flattening effects of reactivity feedback. This is conservative, since detailed spatial kinetics models show that the hot channel factor decreases shortly after the nuclear power peak due to power flattening caused by preferential feedback in the hot channel. Appropriate margins are added to the results to allow for calculational uncertainties.

Results

The magnitude of fuel failure can be determined by the following limits:

- (1) The average fuel pellet deposited energy at the hot spot is no greater than 200 cal/gram (clad damage threshold).
- (2) The centerline enthalpy threshold for incipient melting is no greater than 250 cal/gram.
- (3) The centerline enthalpy threshold for the fully molten condition is no greater than 310 cal/gram.

The criterion for determining the fraction of fuel rods that will release their radioactive fission products during the CEA ejection is the same as item (1) above for determining clad damage. Thus, it is assumed that any fuel rod that exceeds a total average enthalpy of 200 cal/gram releases all of its gap activity. The gap activity corresponding to the most limiting fuel rod during the cycle is conservatively assumed for each rod that suffers clad damage.

Table 1 lists the significant input variables for the limiting analyses at full power and zero power. All of the ejected CEA worths and radial peaking factors include appropriate allowances for calculation uncertainties. In all cases analyzed, a conservative value of 0.05 seconds was assumed for the total ejection time. For the full power and zero power cases, a Variable Overpower trip is conservatively assumed to initiate at 112% and 29.1% (19.1% + 10% uncertainty) of full power, respectively. The initial conditions assume the core was operating at 102% of full power for the full power cases while an initial power of 10^{-9} of nominal was assumed for the zero power case.

TABLE 1
CEA EJECTION ACCIDENT ASSUMPTIONS

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Analysis Value</u>
<u>Full Power</u>		
Moderator Temperature Coefficient	$10^{-4} \Delta p / ^\circ F$	+0.5
Doppler Defect	% Δp	-1.25
Ejected CEA worth	% Δp	0.36
Delayed Neutron Fraction, b		0.0061
Pre-ejected Rod Hot Spot Peaking Factor		2.52
Post-ejected Rod Hot Spot Peaking Factor		6.93
CEA Worth at Trip	% Δp	4.2
<u>Zero Power</u>		
Nominal Core Power Fraction		10^{-9}
Ejected CEA worth	% Δp	0.69
Delayed Neutron Fraction, b		0.0061
Post-ejected Rod Hot Spot Power		10.51
CEA Worth at Trip	% Δp	1.5

The results of the full and zero power CEA ejection events may be found in Table 2. This analysis was assessed against the Regulatory Guide 1.77 criteria (Reference 7) which limits the average hot pellet enthalpy to less than 280 cal/gram. The previous acceptance criteria of 200 cal/gram is more conservative with respect to the Regulatory Guide limit. The centerline melt criterion was not assessed in this analysis since the Regulatory Guide does not require it.

TABLE 2
CEA EJECTION ACCIDENT RESULTS

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Analysis Value</u>
<u>Full Power</u>	
Total Average Enthalpy of Hottest Fuel Pellet (cal/gram)	182.1
Total Centerline Enthalpy of Hottest Fuel Pellet (cal/gram)	285.6
Fraction of Rods That Suffer Clad Damage (Average Enthalpy \geq 200 cal/gram)	0.0
Fraction of Pellet at Hot Spot Having at Least Incipient Centerline Melting (Centerline Enthalpy \geq 250 cal/gram)	0.09
Fraction of Fuel Having a Fully Molten Centerline Condition (Centerline Enthalpy \geq 310 cal/gram)	0.0
<u>Zero Power</u>	
Total Average Enthalpy of Hottest Fuel Pellet (cal/gram)	60.6
Total Centerline Enthalpy of Hottest Fuel Pellet (cal/gram)	71.8
Fraction of Rods That Suffer Clad Damage (Average Enthalpy \geq 200 cal/gram)	0.0
Fraction of Pellet at Hot Spot Having at Least Incipient Centerline Melting (Centerline Enthalpy \geq 250 cal/gram)	0.0
Fraction of Fuel Having a Fully Molten Centerline Condition (Centerline Enthalpy \geq 310 cal/gram)	0.0

Radiological Consequences

The analysis of radiological consequences of a CEA ejection accident considers the release of secondary coolant activity as well as the reactor coolant activity released through the ruptured CEDM housing. The major assumptions used in the analysis are:

1. CEA ejection occurs while the reactor is operating at 102% of 1500 MWt with 1% failed fuel and a 1.0 gpm primary-to-secondary leak.

TABLE 4
ACTIVITIES RELEASED FROM THE CONTAINMENT

<u>Nuclide</u>	<u>Activity (Ci)</u>	
	<u>0-2 hrs</u>	<u>0-30 days</u>
Kr-83m	2.23 E-03	2.23 E-03
Kr-85m	1.40 E-02	1.46 E-02
Kr-85	2.66 E+00	4.57 E+02
Kr-87	5.37 E-03	5.37 E-03
Kr-88	2.36 E-02	2.37 E-02
Xe-131m	2.16 E-02	1.72 E+00
Xe-133m	3.46 E-02	5.34 E-01
Xe-133	3.15 E+00	1.26 E+02
Xe-134	3.75 E-04	3.75 E-04
Xe-135	4.95 E-02	7.80 E-02
Xe-138	1.11 E-03	1.11 E-03
I-131	1.99 E-02	1.18 E+00
I-132	3.75 E-03	3.76 E-03
I-133	1.94 E-02	8.75 E-02
I-134	1.25 E-03	1.25 E-03
I-135	9.93 E-03	1.21 E-02

9. The dispersion factors for the EAB and the LPZ outer boundary are $2.55 \text{ E-}04 \text{ sec/m}^2$ and $4.53 \text{ E-}06 \text{ sec/m}^2$, respectively (Reference 8).
10. The adult breathing rate for the EAB and LPZ is assumed to be $3.47 \text{ E-}04 \text{ m}^3/\text{sec}$.

Based on these assumptions, the results doses are as follows:

	<u>Thyroid</u> <u>(Rems)</u>	<u>Whole Bod</u> <u>(Rems)</u>
EAB	4.4 E-01	1.8 E-03
LPZ	9.7 E-03	1.7 E-04

Conclusions

The analysis of the CEA ejection accident shows that the energy increase at the hot spot is limited and that no fuel rods suffer any significant damage following a CEA ejection from full or zero power at beginning or end of cycle.

The results of radiological consequences of a CEA ejection accident are presented above. The calculated values for thyroid dose and whole body dose show that the doses based on conservative assumptions are well within the limits specified in 10CFR, Part 100.

2. The steam generator equilibrium activity for both steam generators is assumed to be 0.1 iCi/gm DEC I-131.
3. Offsite power is lost; the main condenser is not available for steam relief via the turbine bypass system.
4. The activity available for leakage from containment is based on the equilibrium reactor coolant activity. The activity instantaneously available for release from the containment is 100% of the noble gases and 25% of the halogens.
5. The containment leakage rate is assumed to be 0.2 volume percent per day for the first 24 hours and 0.1 volume percent per day for the duration of the accident (1-30 days).
6. A post-accident decontamination factor of 10 was used in the steam generator between the water and steam phases.
7. The total activity released from the secondary system is presented in Table 3.

TABLE 3
ACTIVITIES RELEASED FROM THE SECONDARY SYSTEM

<u>Nuclide</u>	<u>Activity (Ci)</u>
Kr-83m	5.0 E-02
Kr-85m	2.6 E-01
Kr-85	4.4 E+01
Kr-87	1.4 E-01
Kr-88	4.8 E-01
Xe-131m	3.6 E-01
Xe-133m	5.5 E-01
Xe-133	5.0 E+01
Xe-135m	3.1 E-02
Xe-135	1.5 E-01
Xe-138	1.1 E-01
I-131	1.9 E+00
I-132	1.2 E-01
I-133	1.3 E+00
I-134	3.7 E-02
I-135	4.9 E-01

8. The total activity released from the containment, 0-2 hours and for 0-30 days, is presented in Table 4.

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