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Supplemental Information Request Related to Generic Letter 95-03

The following areas have been identified as being susceptible to circumferential cracking:

- a. Expansion transition circumferential cracking
- b. Small radius U-bend circumferential cracking
- c. Dented location (including dented TSP) circumferential cracking
- d. Sleeve joint circumferential cracking

In your response, areas b, c, and d were not specifically addressed, although it was indicated that no thermally treated tubing in domestic Model F steam generators have exhibited circumferential cracking. Please submit the information requested in Generic Letter 95-03 per the guidance contained in the generic letter for these areas (and any other area susceptible to circumferential cracking).

The staff realizes that some of the above areas may not have been addressed since they may not be applicable to your plant; however, the staff requests that you clarify this (e.g., no sleeves are installed; therefore, the plant is not susceptible to sleeve joint circumferential cracking).

For dented locations, if applicable, the criteria for determining which dents are/were examined should be provided. If a dent voltage threshold is used for such a determination, the calibration procedure used (i.e., 4.0 volts on 4-20% through-wall ASME holes at 550/130 mix) should be provided.