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OYSTER CREEK VACUUM BREAKERS

I attended a D. L. meeting held 9/6/74 with JCP&L and G. E. representatives to discuss proposed T. S. for Oyster Creek Vacuum breakers.

In essence, D. L. will issue new Technical Specifications, which among other things will permit operation with up to four of the fourteen suppression chamber - dry well breakers inoperable, provided that they are secured closed.

JCP&L will apparently not pursue proposed change No. 23 which was less restrictive (i.e. only six of the seven operable, while seven were routinely locked closed. Neither JCP&L or G. E. were able to refute the envelope of parameters tested at Bodega Bay. G. E. implied that a new internal model was available; however, no information has been furnished for staff review.

Informal discussion with D.L. indicated that the T. S. should be issued in about three weeks.

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## II. Acceptance Criteria

The maximum allowable leakage for the primary containment is 0.6267 weight percent of the contained air per 24 hours. This limit is 75 percent of  $L_t(20)$  which is based upon either the measured leakage rate at 20 psig and 35 psig during the March, 1969 test or the test pressures of 20 psig and 35 psig. In equation form:

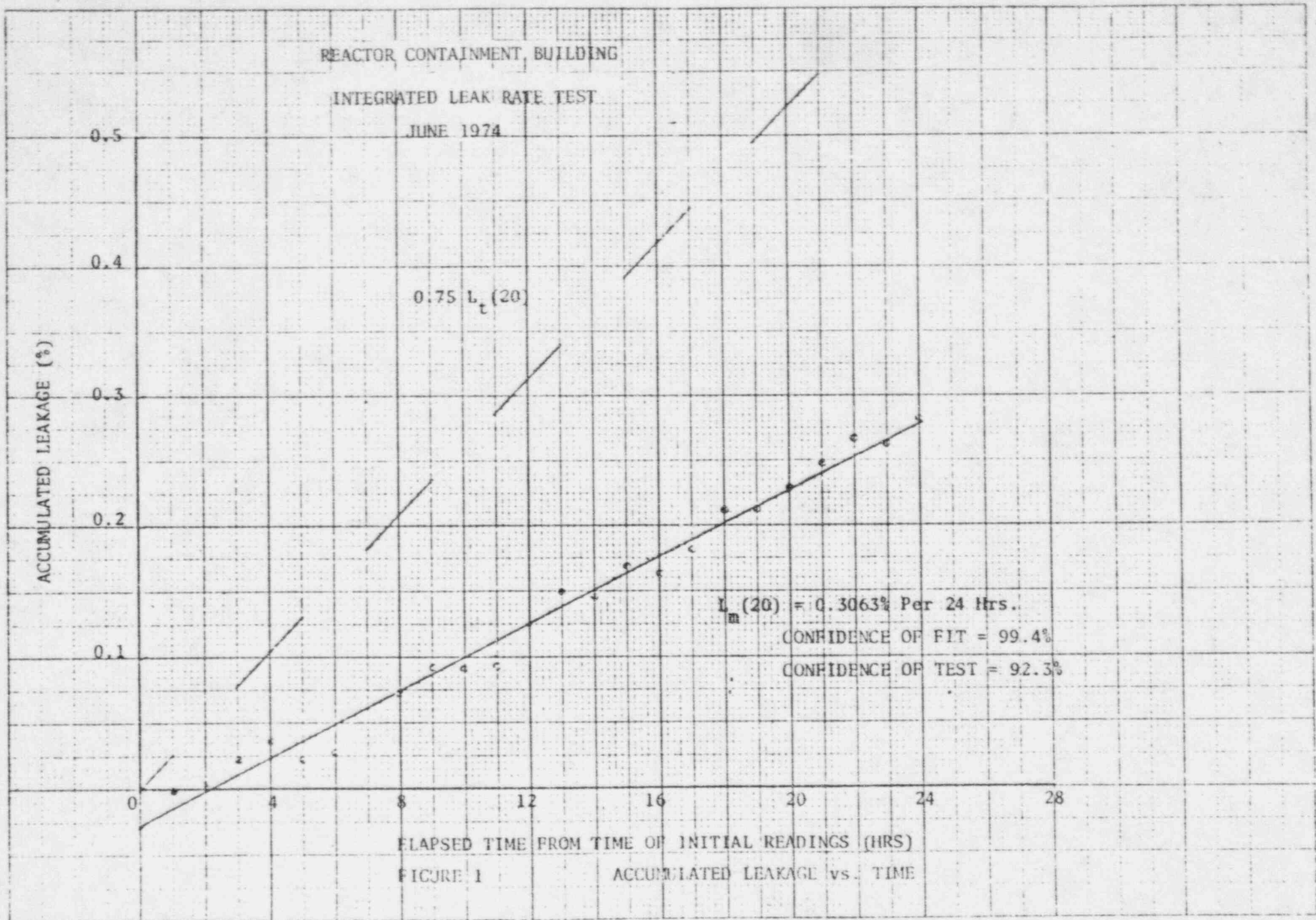
$$L_t(20) = 1.0 L_m(20)/L_m(35) = 0.941 \text{ w/o per day} \quad (1)$$

or

$$L_t(20) = 1.0 \frac{P_t(20)^{1/2}}{P_t(35)} = 0.8356 \text{ w/o per day} \quad (2) \quad \checkmark$$

As per 10CFR50, Appendix J, Section III.A.4.a.1.iii, if equation (1) is greater than 0.7 w/o per day, equation (2) shall be the leakage limit used to determine the allowable leakage rate. 10CFR50, Appendix J, Section III.A.5.b.1 specifies that the maximum allowable leakage for the primary containment shall be  $0.75 L_t(20)$ . This is less than the Technical Specification limit of the more restrictive of equations (1) and (2) and therefore more conservative. The limit for this test will then be  $0.75 L_t(20)$  or 0.6267 w/o per day.

A general inspection of the accessible interior and exterior surfaces of the containment structures and components was performed prior to this Type A test to uncover any evidence of structural deterioration which may affect either the containment structure integrity or leak-tightness (10CFR50, Appendix J, Section V.A). No evidence of any significant structural deterioration was observed.



#### IV. Instrument Sensitivity Test

This test was performed by introducing a calibrated 50 SCFH leak on the containment system through a flow meter. Figure 2 illustrates the change in the observed accumulated leakage when the known leak was established. The observed leakage rate had been determined to be 0.3063 w/o per 24 hours, which corresponds to a leak of 90.2 SCFH. When the known leak was superimposed on this, the leak rate became 140.2 SCFH. The leakage measured during the instrument sensitivity test was 0.446 w/o per day or 131.2 SCFH.

This is well within the limit set by Section III.A.3.b of Appendix J which states that the difference between the sum of the test results plus the calibrated leak and the instrument sensitivity test results must be less than  $.25 L_t(20)$ . The difference is  $140.2 \text{ SCFH} - 131.2 \text{ SCFH} = 9 \text{ SCFH}$  which is less than  $61.5 \text{ SCFH} (.25 L_t(20))$ .

Therefore, the operational instrument error in measurement was:

$$\frac{140.2 - 131.2}{140.2} = 6.4\%$$

V. Comparison of Test Results with those of Previous Tests

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Test Results (w/o per day)</u>
March, 1969	0.216
October, 1970	0.276
June, 1972	0.549
June, 1974	0.306

### III. Results

Tables 1 through 6 summarize the results of these tests. Note also that all tabulated leakage rates are adjusted to a test pressure of 20 psig, according to the relationship:

$$L_m(20) = L_m(35) \times \frac{P_t(20)}{P_t(35)}^{\frac{1}{2}} = L_m(35) \times .8356$$

As noted on Tables 1, 2 and 3 all tested penetrations met the "Acceptance Criteria" after all repairs were performed. All leakage test results from Type B and C tests that failed to meet the acceptance criteria of 10 CFR 50, Appendix J, Sections III.B.3 and III.C.3, respectively, since the last reactor containment building integrated leak rate test (June, 1974), are reported in a separate accompanying summary report.

All local leak rate tests that were performed since June, 1972, were acceptable except as noted in the above mentioned accompanying report or in the following tables.

Table 2

Testable Penetrations and Isolation Valves (1973)

<u>Item</u>	<u>P<sub>t</sub> (psig)</u>	<u>Final Leakage Rate, SCFH</u>
<u>Drywell Access Air Lock</u>	10.1	Non-Detectable
<u>Drywell Sump Discharge</u>		
<u>V-22-28, 29</u>	35.0	5.84 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>
<u>DWEDT Discharge</u>		
<u>V-22-1, 2</u>	35.0	2.03 x 10 <sup>-1</sup>
<u>All Electrical Penetrations (39)</u>	35.0	Non-Detectable
<u>Main Steam Isolation Valves</u>		
<u>NSO3A</u>	35.0	Non-Detectable
<u>NSO3B*</u>	35.0	Non-Detectable
<u>NSO4A</u>	35.0	5.68
<u>NSO4B</u>	35.0	Non-Detectable
<u>Steam Dryer Penetrations (16)</u>	35.0	Non-Detectable

Total Leakage = 5.89 SCFH

Acceptable = 55.36 SCFH

Acceptable for Any One Penetration = 9.23 SCFH

\* After Repair



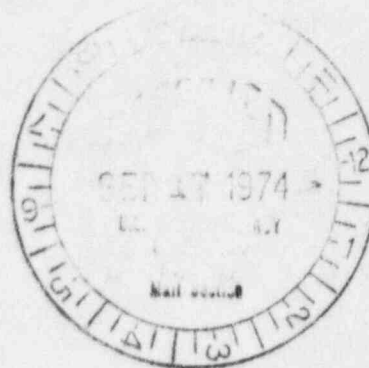
Table 4  
Double Gasketed Seals (1974)

<u>Item</u>	<u>P<sub>t</sub> (psig)</u>	<u>*Initial Leakage Rate, SCFH</u>	<u>Final Leakage Rate, SCFH</u>
<u>Steam Dryer Penetration</u>	35.0		3.07
<u>Drywell Airlock</u>	35.0		Non-Detectable
<u>TIP Penetrations (4)</u>	35.0		Non-Detectable
<u>Torus Manhole Covers</u>			
<u>North</u>	35.0		1.06 X 10 <sup>-3</sup>
<u>South</u>	35.0		Non-Detectable
<u>Drywell Head Seal</u>	35.0		2.1 X 10 <sup>-2</sup>
<u>Drywell Head Manhole Cover</u>	35.0		Non-Detectable
<u>Biological Shield Inspection Covers (8)</u>	35.0		1.57
<u>Torus to Drywell Vacuum Breakers (for double gasket and 2 sets of "O" rings (14)</u>	35.0		5.7 X 10 <sup>-2</sup>
<u>Torus to Reactor Building Vacuum Breakers (for double gasket and 2 sets of "O" rings (2)</u>	35.0		Non-Detectable

Total Leakage = 4.72 SCFH

Acceptable = 18.45 SCFH

\*For repaired valves and penetration



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### Requirements

It is required by Section V.3 of 10 CFR 50, Appendix J, that leakage test results from Type A, B, and C tests that failed to meet the acceptance criteria of Section III.A.5(b), III.B.3 and III.C.3, respectively, since the last acceptable Type A test, shall be reported in a separate summary report accompanying each reactor containment building integrated leak rate test.

There were no Type A tests performed since the last acceptable Type A test in June 1972.

In general, the combined leakage rate for all penetrations and valves subject to Type B and C tests shall be less than 0.60 La (176.67 SCFH). Included in this report are those penetrations and valves which give a leakage rate, at the time they were tested, that made the combined leakage rate for all penetrations and valves greater than 0.60 La.

1. Torus to Reactor Building Vacuum Breaker Valves V-26-17 and V-26-18

On May 3, 1973 an attempt was made to leak test the torus to reactor building vacuum breaker valves V-26-17 and V-26-18. Due to excessive leakage, this penetration did not pressurize to the test pressure.

The Torus to Reactor Building Vacuum Breaker Valves have a volume of 16.05 ft<sup>3</sup> and are pressurized through a 1/8" opening. Therefore large amounts of air cannot be supplied to this penetration quickly in order to perform a pressure decay test. At leakage rates above 70 SCFH, the penetration is extremely difficult to pressurize if, indeed, it can be pressurized at all.

Inspection of V-26-18 revealed that the valve disc was 0.010 inches off its seat, indicating that the linkage of the valve arm required adjustment. The boot seat and butterfly disc were cleaned and the valve linkage was adjusted to position the valve disc properly on the seat. The isolation valves were then retested for leakage and it was found to be approximately 0.49 SCFH.

Reference: Letter to Mr. A. Giambusso from Mr. D. A. Ross dated May 15, 1973.  
Semi-Annual Report No. 8, January-June, 1973, pp. III-7 and VIII-3.

2. Drywell Head Manhole Cover Double Gasket

On May 27, 1973, the drywell head manhole cover double gasket was leakage tested and could not be pressurized to the test pressure due to excessive leakage. Visual inspection of the gaskets revealed that the outer gasket was brittle and cracked when pulled, however, the inner gasket was still pliable. Both gaskets were subsequently replaced and the new gaskets were leakage tested at 35 psig. The leakage was  $2.95 \times 10^{-3}$  SCFH.

Reference: Letter to Mr. A. Giambusso from Mr. D. A. Ross dated June 5, 1973.  
Semi-Annual Report No. 8, January-June, 1973, pp. III-5 and VIII-3.

3. Main Steam Isolation Valve: NSO3B

On September 9, 1973, MSIV NSO3B was leakage tested and found to have a leak rate of approximately 200 SCFH. This leakage could only be estimated as the test was performed using a pressure buildup method instead of the normal flowmeter method. The cause of the leakage was traced to the valve disc which is not self-centering and therefore was not fully seated during closure. The valve was repaired by building up the poppet guides with stellite 21 and then machining the guides to the required tolerances. The leakage through the valve was again tested and could not be detected using an 0-11 SCFH flowmeter.

The data on the first leakage rate test could not be recovered.

Reference: Semi-Annual Report No. 9, July - December, 1973, pp. III-5 and VIII-3.

4. Main Steam Isolation Valve: NSO4A

On September 27, 1973, MSIV NSO4A was leakage tested and found to have a leak rate of approximately 96 SCFH. The cause of the leakage was traced to the main stem packing which was leaking. The packing was replaced and the leakage through the valve was again tested. There was no detectable leakage through the valve during the retest. The data on the leakage tests, which were pressure decay tests, could not be recovered.

Reference: Semi-Annual Report No. 9, July - December 1973, pp. III-6 and VIII-3.

5. Torus to Reactor Building Vacuum Breaker Valves V-26-15 and V-26-16

On April 4, 1974 an attempt was made to leak test the torus to reactor building vacuum breaker valves V-26-15 and V-26-16. This penetration could not

be pressurized to the test pressure due to excessive leakage as commented upon in Section 4. Upon disassembly of valve V-26-16, it was found that a plug in the valve disc was leaking. The valve was cleaned, the plug sealed and V-26-16 reassembled. The valves were again leak tested and found to have leakage of approximately 11.8 SCFH.

Reference: Semi-Annual Report No. 10, January-June, 1974, pp. III-7 and VIII-22.

6. Torus Vent Valves V-28-17, V-28-18 and V-28-47

On May 7, 1974, the torus vent valves V-28-17, V-28-18 and V-28-47 were leak tested and found to leak at a rate of approximately 400 SCFH at the 35 psig test pressure. Because of the small volume of this penetration ( $1.41 \text{ ft}^3$ ) the pressure decay readings could only be approximated. Therefore, a least square fit and an error analysis were not performed. Disassembly of the valves revealed that the seats of valves V-28-17 and V-28-18 had become brittle and non-pliable. Since no spare parts or replacement valves were available at the plant or from the manufacturer, attempts were made to repair the valves by fabricating new seats. These attempts proved unsuccessful as demonstrated by visual inspection and leak rate testing. As a result, replacement valves of a different manufacture were purchased, qualified and installed. Leak rate testing after installation revealed no detectable leakage.

Reference: Semi-Annual Report No. 10, Page VII-3.

7. Main Steam Isolation Valve Bypass Valves: V-1-106 and V-1-107

On June 11, 1974, during the performance of the Reactor Containment Building Integrated Leak Rate Test, the MSIV Bypass Valves, V-1-106 and V-1-107, were found to be leaking. The outer valves of this penetration (V-1-110 and V-1-111)



were closed successfully and the test was continued. When the test was completed, the cause of the leakage was found to be non-mating sealing surfaces of these gate valves. The seating surface of V-1-106 was built up and then lapped to mate. The seating surface of V-1-107 was lapped to mate. The penetration was again leakage tested with a flowmeter and no leakage was detectable through the valves.

To find the leakage through the valves, the data for the six (6) hours prior to closing V-1-110 and V-1-111 from the RCBI LRT was analyzed and subtracted from the leakage during the RCBI LRT which is reported in the Reactor Containment Building Integrated Leak Rate Test, June 1974. The least squares fit of the leakage during the RCBI LRT and the error analysis of the instrumentation used for the data collection are also reported there.

The data is:

	<u>Date and Time</u>	<u>Accumulate w/o per hr leakage</u>
6-10-74	2300	.128
	2400	.191
6-11-74	0100	.267
	0200	.307
	0300	.358
	0400	.419
	0500	.483

A least square fit of these data points results in a 1.3817 w/o per day leakage for the Reactor Containment Building plus V-1-106 and V-1-107 with a correlation co-efficient of .9976. When the leakage for the Reactor Containment Building (0.3063 w/o per day) is subtracted from this, the leakage through valves V-1-106 and V-1-107 was 1.0754 w/o per day or 315.64 SCFH.

Reference: Semi-Annual Report No. 10, January-June, 1974, pp. III-10 and VIII-1.

8.

Drywell Access Airlock

On October 3, 1973, the drywell access airlock was leakage tested as required by 10 CFR 50, Appendix J, Section III.D.2 and was found to leak at a rate of 16.46 SCFH. Even though this leak rate was greater than that allowed for a single penetration, primary containment integrity was not violated. This test is being included in this report as an item of interest.

Upon inspection the air was found to leak out of the airlock through the electrical wires between the conductor and the insulation. The wires were cut and the electrical penetrations to the airlock sealed. The airlock was again leakage tested and found to have no detectable leakage. The penetrations are being supplied with airtight electrical connectors for the wires.

Reference: Semi-Annual Report No. 9, July-December, 1973, pp. III-8 and VIII-3.

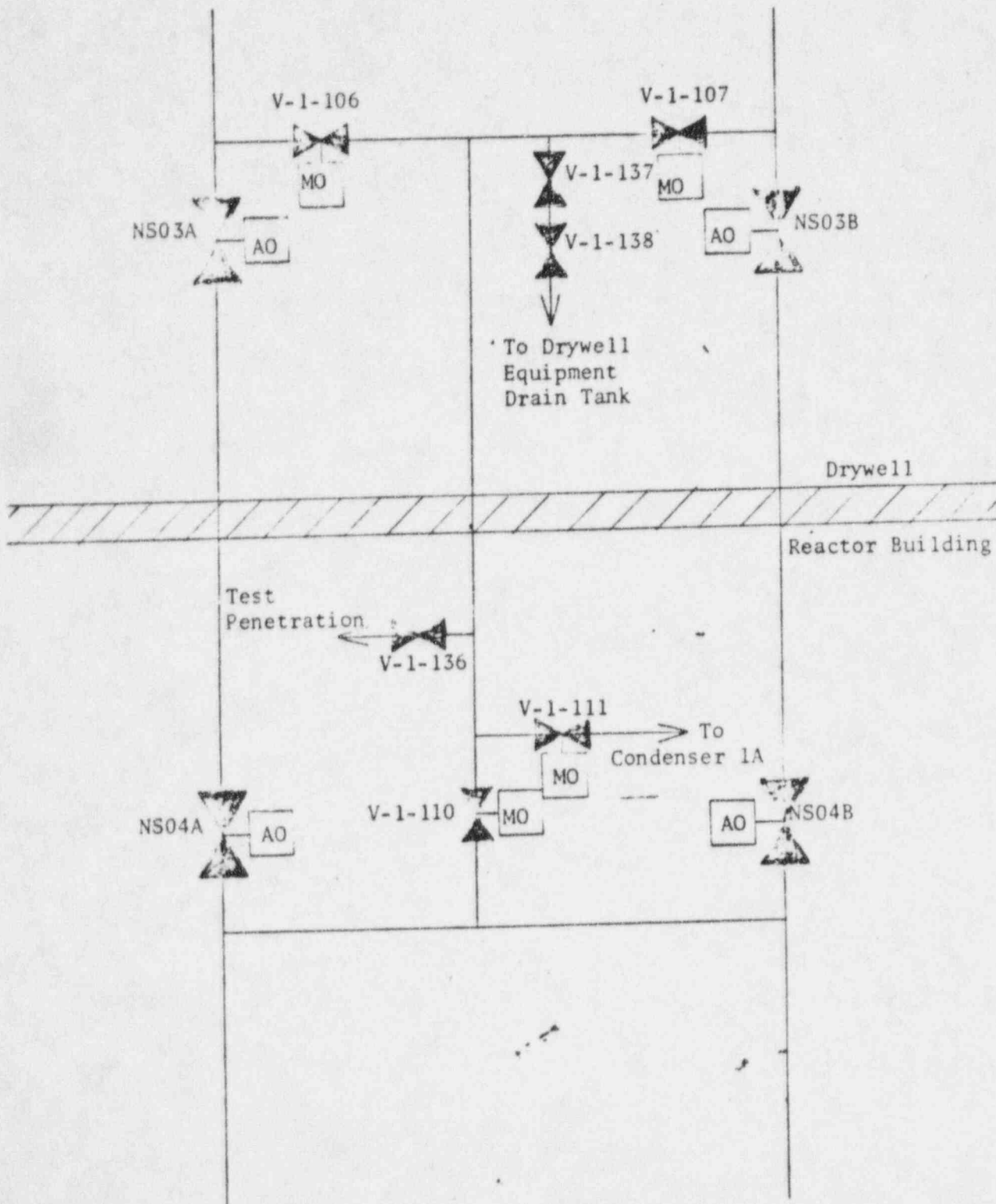


Figure B-1

INSTRUMENT ERROR ANALYSIS\*

The measured leak rate in weight percent per day is computed using the reference vessel method by the formula:

$$M = (100) \frac{(24)}{(H)} \left[ \frac{T_1 \Delta P_2}{T_2 P_1} - \frac{\Delta P_1}{P_1} \right] \quad (1)$$

$$= (100) \frac{(24)}{(H)} \left[ \frac{T_1 P'_2}{T_2 P_1} - \frac{T_1 P_2}{T_2 P_1} - \frac{P'_1}{P_1} + 1 \right]$$

where:

$P_1 = P_1 - P_{v1}$  = total containment atmosphere absolute pressure, in psia, at the start of the test, corrected for water vapor pressure.

$P_2 = P_2 - P_{v2}$  = total containment atmosphere absolute pressure, in psia, at the end of the test, corrected for water vapor pressure.

$P'_1, P'_2$  = reference vessel pressure at the start and end of the test, in psia.

$T_1, T_2$  = containment mean atmospheric temperature in  $^{\circ}R$ , at the start and at the end respectively.

$H$  = test interval in hours.

$R$  = gas constant (assumed to be a constant for the entire range of pressure and temperature).

The change or uncertainty interval in  $M$  due to uncertainties in the measured variables is given by:

$$\delta M = \frac{2400}{H} \left[ \left( \frac{dM}{dP_2} \cdot \delta P_2 \right)^2 + \left( \frac{dM}{dP_1} \cdot \delta P_1 \right)^2 + \left( \frac{dM}{dP'_2} \cdot \delta P'_2 \right)^2 + \left( \frac{dM}{dP'_1} \cdot \delta P'_1 \right)^2 + \left( \frac{dM}{dT_1} \cdot \delta T_1 \right)^2 + \left( \frac{dM}{dT_2} \cdot \delta T_2 \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \quad (2)$$

where  $\delta$  is the standard error for each variable.

\* Based on method used in Bechtel Topical Report BN-TOP-1

6. Containment mean dewpoint temperature = 80°F based on 6 volume weighted dewpoint temperature sensors.

Equation (3) becomes:

$$e_M = 100 \left[ 2 \left( \frac{e_P}{P} \right)^2 + 2 \left( \frac{e_{P'}}{P} \right)^2 + 2 \left( \frac{\Delta P}{TP} e_T \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \quad (4)$$

where:

$e_P$  = the error in pressure which accounts for the error in the total containment pressure measurement system, both total absolute pressure and water vapor pressure.

$$e_P = \left[ (e_{P_t})^2 + (e_{P_V})^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$e_{P_t}$  = RMS value of instrument error = error in total absolute pressure in psia.

$e_{P_V}$  = RMS value of instrument error = error in water vapor pressure (dewpoint) indicator in psia at 80°F.

$e_T$  = RMS value of instrument error = error in temperature, °R.

$e_{P'}$  = RMS value of instrument error = error in reference vessel pressure measurement, psia.

Based on the above derivation and formulae, and using the attached accuracy and repeatability data, two analyses are performed; the first using the accuracy values and the second using the repeatability values.

Using the attached accuracy values:

$$e_{p_t} = \pm \sqrt{(.004)^2 + (.012)^2} = \pm .0126 \text{ psia.}$$

$$e_{p_V} = \pm \sqrt{(.5/\sqrt{6})^2 + (.75/\sqrt{1})^2} = \pm .78^\circ\text{F.}$$

From steam tables at a dewpoint of  $80^\circ\text{F}$ .

$$e_{p_V} = \pm .019 \text{ psia}$$

$$e_p = \pm \sqrt{(.0126)^2 + (.019)^2} = \pm .023 \text{ psia.}$$

$$e_t = \pm \sqrt{(.5/\sqrt{10})^2 + (.75/\sqrt{1})^2} = \pm .766^\circ\text{F.}$$

$$e_{p'} = \pm \sqrt{(.023)^2 + (.0002)^2} = \pm .023 \text{ psia.}$$

$$e_m = \pm 100 \left[ 2 \left( \frac{.023}{35} \right)^2 + 2 \left( \frac{.023}{35} \right)^2 + 2 \left( \frac{(.361) (.766)}{(549.7) (35)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$e_m = \pm .131 \text{ wt percent/day}$$

### Repeatability Error Analysis

Using the attached repeatability values:

$$e_{p_t} = \sqrt{(.00004)^2 + (.00012)^2} = \pm .000126 \text{ psia}$$

$$e_{p_V} = \sqrt{(.1/\sqrt{6})^2 + (.75/\sqrt{1})^2} = \pm .751^\circ\text{F}$$

From the steam tables at a dewpoint of  $80^\circ\text{F}$

$$e_{p_V} = .0125 \text{ psia}$$

$$e_p = \sqrt{(.0125)^2 + (.000126)^2} = .0125 \text{ psia}$$

$$e_{p'} = \sqrt{(.0125)^2 + (.000002)^2} = .0125 \text{ psia}$$

$$e_t = \sqrt{(.1/\sqrt{10})^2 + (.75/\sqrt{1})^2} = .751^\circ\text{F}$$

$$e_m = 100 \left[ 2 \left( \frac{.0125}{35} \right)^2 + 2 \left( \frac{.0125}{35} \right)^2 + 2 \left( \frac{.361 (.751)}{549.7 (35)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$e_m = \pm .071 \text{ wt percent/day}$$

It should be noted that since the test values change less than 1% during the test duration, the repeatability error analysis is more applicable.