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MONTICELLO - PROPOSED TECH. SPEC. CHANGES TO INCORPORATE GETAB/GEXL (TAR-1516)

Plant Name: Monticello Docket No.: 50-263 Responsible Branch and Project Leader: ORB-2, B. Buckley Technical Review Branch Involved: Reactor System. Review Status: Additional Information Required

The Monticello technical specification changes required to change from Hench-Levy to GETAB/GEXL thermo-hydraulic limits have been reviewed by the Reactor Systems Branch. Additional information is required to evaluate the acceptability of the changes. The required additional information is identified in the enclosure.

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Enclosure: Request for Additional Information

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REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON MONTICELLO TECH SPEC CHANGES (TAR-1516)

 The APRM flux scram trip setting equation is the same as that given for 7 x 7 geometry using the Hench-Levy CHF correlation. The APRM trip setting equations should probably be changed to be consistent with the new GEXL/GETAB Analysis as was done for Quad Cities. Either provide the new form with justification for its constants or justify retaining the old form and constants with the new GEXL/GETAB Analysis.

Also, the APRM flux scram trip setting equation for the 8 x 8 fuel is different from that given for 7 x 7 fuel. Explain the difference.

 Does the relative bundle to bundle power distribution used in the GETAB statistical analysis for Monticello remain fixed throughout the analysis? If not, how does it vary, and why? If yes, show that the peak radial power factor used is the maximum obtainable during the cycle.