

January 14, 1993

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FROM: Conrad E. McCracken, Chief
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Division of Systems Safety and Analysis

SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING ON JANUARY 7, 1993
(FIRE BARRIER ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA)

On January 7, 1993, a public meeting was held with various industrial representatives who have sold fire barrier products to the commercial nuclear power industry. A list of the meeting attendees is attached. A copy of the meeting handouts is available through the public document room.

During the past 18 months, the NRC has been evaluating problems associated with Thermo-Lag fire barrier systems. The NRC has issued 5 information notices, a bulletin, and supplement and a generic letter which addresses Thermo-Lag.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the applicability of the issues that have been identified to other fire barrier systems. The staff stated that it is conducting a programmatic review and has not completed its reassessment of other fire barrier systems. It is our intent to address other fire barrier products through a generic letter supplement in the September 1993 time frame. The fire barrier representatives were interested in receiving assurances that their products continue to be acceptable. The staff stated that we cannot draw that conclusion until our review is completed. However, if the staff had information that other fire barrier products had failure mechanisms similar to Thermo-Lag, we would have issued similar generic communications. If industry has specific product information that address the issues identified through our generic communications, they should submit it to aid in resolution of the issues.

Additional discussions focused on the regulatory process for the proposed staff acceptance criteria for fire barrier assemblies used to separate safe shutdown functions. The staff stated that it plans to follow the normal generic review process for implementation of the proposed criteria.

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Enclosures:

1. List of Attendees
2. Meeting Handouts (Central File and PDR only)

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NRC MEETING WITH FIRE BARRIER VENDORS
JANUARY 7, 1993

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NRC MEETING WITH VENDORS
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**FIRE BARRIER ASSEMBLIES
USED TO SEPARATE SAFE SHUTDOWN FUNCTIONS
WITHIN THE SAME FIRE AREA**

**TECHNICAL ISSUES
AND
NRC ACTIONS**

JANUARY 7, 1993

NRC COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE INDUSTRY

INFORMATION NOTICES (INs)

- AUGUST 6, 1991, IN 91-47, "FAILURE OF THERMO-LAG FIRE BARRIER MATERIAL TO PASS FIRE ENDURANCE TEST."
- DECEMBER 6, 1991, IN 91-79, "DEFICIENCIES IN THE PROCEDURES FOR INSTALLING THERMO-LAG FIRE BARRIER MATERIAL."
- JUNE 23, 1992, IN 92-46, "THERMO-LAG FIRE BARRIER MATERIAL SPECIAL REVIEW TEAM FINAL FINDINGS, CURRENT FIRE ENDURANCE TESTS, AND AMPACITY CALCULATION ERRORS."
- JULY 27, 1992, IN 92-55, "CURRENT FIRE ENDURANCE TEST RESULTS FOR THERMO-LAG FIRE BARRIER MATERIAL."
- DECEMBER 15, 1992, IN 92-82, "RESULTS OF THERMO-LAG 330-1 COMBUSTIBILITY TESTING."

NRC COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE INDUSTRY

BULLETINS

- JUNE 24, 1992, BULLETIN 92-01, "FAILURE OF THERMO-LAG 330 FIRE BARRIER SYSTEM TO MAINTAIN CABLING IN WIDE CABLE TRAYS AND SMALL CONDUITS FREE FROM FIRE DAMAGE."
- AUGUST 28, 1992, BULLETIN 92-01, SUPPLEMENT 1, "FAILURE OF THERMO-LAG 330 FIRE BARRIER SYSTEM TO PERFORM ITS SPECIFIED FIRE ENDURANCE FUNCTION."

GENERIC LETTER (GL)

- DECEMBER 17, 1992, GL 92-08, "THERMO-LAG 330-1 FIRE BARRIERS."

MAJOR TECHNICAL ISSUES

- FIRE ENDURANCE TESTING AND APPLICATION OF THE TEST RESULTS
- DEFICIENCIES IN THE INSTALLATION AND INSPECTION PROCEDURES
- COMBUSTIBILITY OF FIRE BARRIER MATERIAL
- CAPACITY DERATING
- SEISMIC CONSIDERATIONS

NRC PROPOSED POSITION
FIRE ENDURANCE TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA
"RACEWAY FIRE BARRIERS"

TEMPERATURE

- MEASURED ON THE EXTERNAL SURFACE OF THE RACEWAY,
NOT TO EXCEED 325°F.

BARRIER CONDITION

- FIRE BARRIER TO REMAIN INTACT - NO VISIBLE SIGNS OF
CONDUCTOR OR RACEWAY AFTER STANDARD FIRE
EXPOSURE AND HOSE STREAM TEST.

HOSE STREAM TEST

- SOLID STREAM AFTER HALF DURATION OR APPLICATION OF
HOSE STREAM AS RECOMMENDED BY SRP 9.5.1 AFTER FULL
DURATION.

FIRE ENDURANCE TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA - CONT.

CABLE CONDITION

- IF TEMPERATURE LIMIT EXCEEDED, VISUAL INSPECTION OF CABLES SHOULD NOT REVEAL VISIBLE DAMAGE

DEMONSTRATE CABLE FUNCTIONALITY (GL 86-10)
(REQUIRED WHEN FIRE TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA IS NOT MET)

FUNCTIONALITY TESTING

POWER/CONTROL CABLES

- * MEGGER TESTS (BEFORE AND AFTER FIRE EXPOSURE)
- * AC OR DC HIGH POTENTIAL TEST
(CABLES \geq 1000 VOLTS)

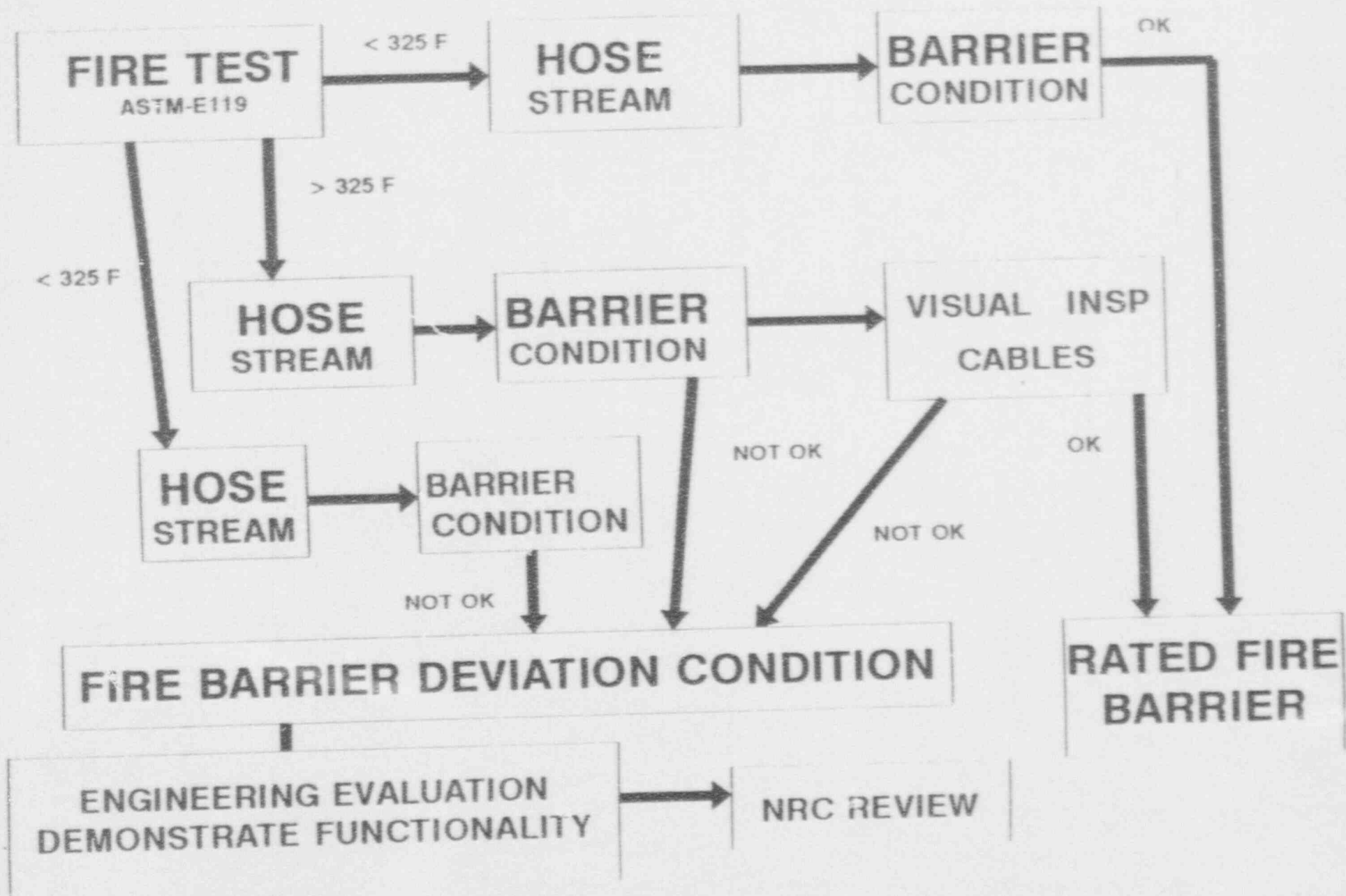
INSTRUMENTATION CABLES

- * MEGGER (BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER FIRE EXPOSURE)

THERMAL EXPOSURE THRESHOLD DETERMINATION

- * AIR OVEN TEST AT RATED CABLE VOLTAGE
- * EQ DOCUMENTATION

FIRE BARRIER TESTING ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA



**ASSURANCE OF ADEQUATE FIRE BARRIER SYSTEMS
(OTHER THAN THERMO-LAG)**

- **ASSESS FIRE BARRIER PROGRAMMATIC ISSUES AND THEIR APPLICABILITY TO OTHER FIRE BARRIER SYSTEMS**
- **MONITOR ACTIONS (BY LICENSEES) TO EVALUATE THE ADEQUACY OF FIRE BARRIER PRODUCTS, DESIGNS AND APPLICATIONS.**

3M Ceramic Materials Department

- Seventeen Years of Passive Fire Protection Experience.
- Thirteen Years of Passive Fire Protection in the Nuclear Industry.
- Fire Protection Products and Systems that have been successfully fire tested worldwide; including Canada, England, France, Germany, Japan, Norway, Spain, Sweden and others.
- Fire Protection Products that meets or exceed the rigorous International Standards Organization (ISO) requirements.
- Fire Protection Systems that are both Underwriters Laboratory (UL) classified, and Factory Mutual Research Corporation (FMRC) approved.
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3M Interam™ Fire Protection Products

Selected User Sites

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| *1. Palisades | 12. Perry 1 |
| 2. Fermi 2 | *13. Seabrook |
| 3. Watts Bar 1 & 2 | 14. Point Beach |
| 4. Salem 1 & 2 | 15. Kewaunee |
| *5. Hopecreek 1 | 16. Brunswick |
| 6. Nine Mile Point 1 | 17. Beaver Valley 2 |
| *7. Quad Cities 1 & 2 | *18. Monticello |
| 8. Dresden 2 & 3 | *19. WPPSS 2 |
| 9. Connecticut Yankee | 20. TMI |
| 10. Rancho Seco | 21. Arkansas Power |
| *11. Fort Calhoun | 22. San Onofre |

* NRC Review to Date

3M Family of Fire Protection Products

- Interam E-53A Endothermic Mat
- Interam E-54A Endothermic Mat
- Interam CS-195 Composite Sheet
- Fire Barrier CP-25 Intumescent Caulk
- FireDam 150 Endothermic Caulk
- Interam T-49 Aluminum Foil Tape

Actual Seismic Tests

- Testing conducted at Southwest Research Institute
- Tested in accordance with IEEE 323-1974, IEEE 344-1975, IEEE 381-1977, and NRC Regulatory Guide 1.60
- Both 1- and 3-hour systems were tested
- Results: Both systems passed twice required SSE (Safe Shutdown Earthquake) level

3M Interam™ Fire Protection Products Extensive Ampacity Tests

- 3M ----- 50+ Configurations
- UL ----- 30+ Configurations
- SwRI --- 15+ Configurations

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Additional outside testing and evaluation of 3M Fire Protection Products and Systems conducted Globally include:

Southwest Research Institute (SWrI)

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Certified Testing Labs (CTL)

American Nuclear Insurers (ANI)

Nuclear Mutual Limited (NML)

Twin Cities Testing (TCT)

Warnock Hershey

Bellcore

American Telephone & Telegraph (AT&T)

Northern Telecom

Underwriters Laboratory of Canada (ULC)

British Columbia Telephone

Bell of Canada

Australian Telephone

CSTB France

3M is a member or otherwise provides technical support to such organizations as ASTM, NFPA, IEEE, NEC, and the UL Ad Hoc Fire Barrier Committee, as well as support of such United States Model Building Codes as BOCA, SBCCI, ICBO, and CABO's.

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Accelerated Aging and Weathering E-50 Series Mat

Test	Conditions	Time
Heat Aging	90°C	1 Year
High Humidity	90% RH-32°C	1 Year
Water Immersion	Room Temperature	60 Days
Weatherometer	UV/UVCON, 1-1XW	2000 Hrs

Results: No endothermic change; est life - minimum 40 yrs

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- 3M ---- 700+ Configurations
- UL ---- 250+ Configurations
- SwRI -- 15+ Configurations
- Warnock Hershey, Factory Mutual,
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- Canada, England, France, Germany,
Japan, Norway, Spain, Sweden

Surface Burning Characteristics

Test	Results
Flame Spread	.7
Fuel Contributed	0
Smoke Contribution	0

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3M InteramTM Fire Protection Products

- More than just fully qualified systems
- Thorough Quality Assurance Program
- Installation Training & Certification
- Application Engineering Services
- Internal Fire Test Capabilities

3M Weight Information

	E-53A	E-54A
Nominal Thickness	.3	.4
Color	Green	Blue
Mfg Weight Specs	1.25 - 1.60	1.51 - 2.11
Average Weight	1.43	1.81

Weights listed are pounds/square foot/layer

Final Seismic Tests

- Results: Both systems passed twice required SSE (Safe Shutdown Earthquake) level