

DESIGN FEATURES

5.6 FUEL STORAGE

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4. A checkerboard pattern of fresh fuel and empty cells may be used throughout any storage module, or internal to any storage module in lieu of Region 3 fuel as shown in Figure 5.6-2.

Figure 5.6-1 shows a typical arrangement of regions. Figure 5.6-2 illustrates internal module checkerboarding of fresh fuel with empty cells in a portion of the fuel pool. Figure 5.6-3 illustrates the two burnup-enrichment equations (5.6.1.1.c.2 and 5.6.1.1.c.3) in graphical form.

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CRITICALITY - NEW FUEL

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DRAINAGE

5.6.2 The spent fuel pit is designed and shall be maintained to prevent inadvertent draining of the pool below elevation 722 ft.

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