

SAFETY EVALUATION
INTERNAL CONDUIT SMOKE SEALS
INSTALLED AT APPENDIX R FIRE BARRIERS
BOSTON EDISON COMPANY
PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION
DOCKET NO. 50-293

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated February 3, 1988 (BECO 88-017), the licensee provided their criteria for installing smoke seals inside electrical conduits that pass through fire barriers from one fire area to another. The licensee provided these criteria to answer staff concerns discussed during a meeting between BECO and the staff on November 24, 1987.

2.0 EVALUATION

Appendix R to 10 CFR 50 requires, among other things, that openings and other penetrations in rated fire barriers separating redundant trains of the safe shutdown systems and equipment shall be closed and sealed in a manner that maintains the required fire rating of the barrier. Specific requirements for fire barrier cable penetration seal qualification are contained in Section III.M of Appendix R to 10 CFR Part 50. Although Appendix R is silent as to requirements for sealing inside electrical conduits, BTP 9.5-1 does contain specific guidance concerning such seals in Section C.5.a.(3). That guidance provides that;

"Openings inside conduit larger than 4 inches in diameter should be sealed at the fire barrier penetration. Openings inside conduit 4 inches or less in diameter should be sealed at the fire barrier unless the conduit extends at least 5 feet on each side of the fire barrier and is sealed either at both ends or at the fire barrier with noncombustible material to prevent the passage of smoke and hot gases. Fire barrier penetrations that must maintain environmental isolation or pressure differentials should be qualified by test to maintain the barrier integrity under such conditions."

The criteria that the licensee has submitted conforms to the above guidance and subsequent guidance contained in Generic Letter 86-10.

The licensee's criteria for seals inside conduits specifies the following:

1. Only those barriers that separate redundant safe shutdown equipment will be evaluated for smoke seals.
2. Smoke seals are not required if automatic fire suppression is provided on both sides of a fire barrier.

3. Smoke seals are not required on one side of a fire barrier if automatic fire suppression is provided on the other side.
4. Smoke seals are not required if the passage of smoke does not jeopardize the operation of redundant safe shutdown equipment.
5. Smoke seals are not required if the quantity, nature and location of combustibles are such that smoke generation is not a threat.
6. Smoke seals are not required in conduits with a nominal size less than 3-inches in diameter if the conduit runs more than 10 linear feet before terminating.
7. Conduits greater than 4-inches in diameter will be sealed internally with smoke tight fire seals at the barrier.
8. Conduits 3 to 4-inches in diameter will be sealed internally at the barrier, or at the first opening on both sides of the barrier, or on one side of the barrier where it has been determined that only one smoke seal is necessary.
9. Conduits with a nominal size less than 3-inches in diameter will be sealed on any side of the barrier where the conduit terminates at smoke damageable safe shutdown equipment within a 10 foot linear run from the barrier. If termination does not occur at damageable safe shutdown equipment within a 10 foot linear run, the decision to seal the conduit shall be based on evaluation for Numbers 2 through 6 above.
10. Smoke seals are fabricated of non-combustible materials and are essentially air tight so as to preclude passage of significant amounts of smoke. In addition certain hardware components are acceptable in lieu of smoke seals. Acceptable hardware components include:
 - non-louvered and non-ventilated boxes;
 - outlet boxes;
 - key card boxes (readers);
 - GAI tronics boxes.

The staff agrees with the licensee that smoke seals installed inside electrical conduits in accordance with the above criteria will give reasonable assurance that smoke will not be transmitted from one fire area to another via electrical conduits in sufficient quantities to damage redundant safe shutdown systems or components.

3.0 CONCLUSION

On the basis of the above Evaluation, we conclude that the internal conduit smoke seals installed by the licensee in accordance with the criteria described in their letter of February 3, 1988 (BECO 88-017) are consistent with BTP 9.5-1 and, therefore, acceptable for the purposes described above and in their letter.

617-424-3864 Tim Ferris

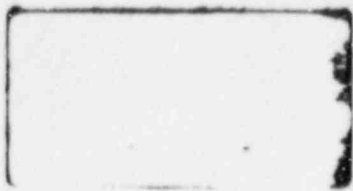
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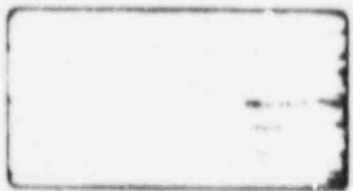


repair not
cracked line replace ^{step valve} at point to
automatic cont. iso valve
proceeding down that line to place
where can tie during op
also $\leq T$

what is total of expected samples
16 from installed locations, including
plus stored pipe
← currently cutting out 4 more

completion schedule - worst case 6/30/8

lowering heat tracing
liquid sampling functioning
but not containment atmosphere
sampling



Sequester relief

1. where cracks found
scope repair or replace
c. tube
compensating

1. Fairbanks - cracking found
in drywell ^{(5) thru-wall} _{B train}
H₂O₂ analyzer

pitting + pit up to 1/4 wall thick - UT
torus

ammonium hydroxide

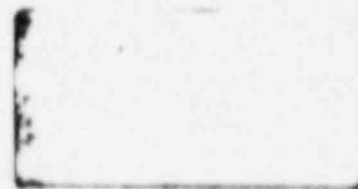
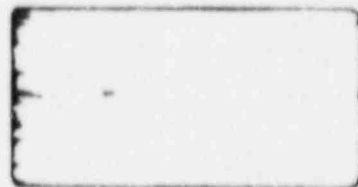
trace
per

H₂O₂

condensate A train

app

Transgranular chloride-assisted
stress cracking



Compensatory measures

procedure 5732 backup sample sys
using T19 panel in KB
draw actual atmosphere samples

white thinks probably no access to
take the samples - BECo does not
know source term.

white

check on pre-op testing



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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION
SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT
FIRE PROTECTION PROGRAM
CONTROL ROOM UPGRADE - CARPET

By letter dated January 14, 1986, the Boston Edison Company (licensee) requested approval for the installation of carpeting in the control room at the Pilgrim facility. In terms of the licensee's Fire Protection Program for Pilgrim, concerns were raised that the carpet might represent a significant increase fire hazard from the point of overall flammability and the potential for smoke production, if ignited.

In the January 14, 1986 letter, the licensee stated that based on results of fire tests ^{conducted} on the proposed carpet ^{it} has demonstrated that it represents no greater fire hazard than the ^{carpet currently installed in the control room} ~~previously approved~~ that it will replace. Specifically, the Critical Radiant Flux was determined to be .58 watts per square centimeter as determined by the test method in ASTM E-648, which enables the carpet to be considered as a Class I interior finish. ^{licensee has verbally sworn that to install carpet with a} The smoke development rating of ^{450 or less as required by NFPA 101 "Life Safety Code"} the carpet was determined to be less than as determined ^{the licensee will document this commitment in a future letter.} by the test method in ASTM E-662. This compares to a flaming smoke development of 325 for vinyl asbestos tile. We conclude that the installation of the carpet will not significantly decrease the level of fire safety in the control room, and therefore, represents an acceptable deviation from Section C.7.b of RTP CMBR 9.5-1.

2/9 Joe Nicholson at Pilgrim

- IT Nuclear -
Have chem cleaned 28, 22 + 12 in
portion of 18 + 20 in RHR
4" water cleanup

expect to finish removal of chemicals
tomorrow

for 5 more days + removing clean-up

then ^{mid next week} drywell - will remove ducts
etc in way - insulation

then will do x-ray + UT
of 28" pipes

then continue UT RHR

in about 10 days, should know
what has to be removed - 28 in
piping etc. (previously decided to replace
8 in risers and 22 in header)

- first cut March 8

will decom drywell to cut down
exposure

completion in August, start-up

DICK

This is one of the essential elements
 of one of the "missing" files. Marcus
 says Card after reading (agree) it is an
 electrical not instrument issue. Perhaps we
 should see if BEEC wants it before we
 send it to SECB. The Computer Shows it to be
 /CSE

— in Keyes BEEC still needs

Transfered to SECB on 5/12
 Paul Gill 29474

T. Lyash says must have a T/S on this.
 - How does he know?!

6/9 Talked with Gill for the first time - "When Knight
 gets back they will decide" whether Gill or Sweed
 else will do it - will call. Also will call
 when its safe to Sholly
 29474

7/24 Called Gill leftward

John Knox is new reviewer - will respond by
 9/15. He says all others are having
 a required T.S.

12/17 617-424-2712 Witt 28360
Keyer
heating to 275° would change to 150° which
means sample wouldn't stabilize for
24 hrs instead of 3 hrs.

Kahler, Keyer, Bob Fairbank, Bob Tracy^{Jim Davis}
Bob Grazio, Fred Mogolesko
Bart Waldo using GE Owners Group core
damage procedures SOP 5.7.4.1.16

Keyer - lowering heat tracing to 150F would
cause some condensation in the piping because
containment would be over 200F. But don't use
this for I₂ anyway. For H₂/O₂, analyzers
will read erroneously high because steam would
be condensing out - Frank suggested this
could be compensated. Don't want to vent
prematurely on erroneous high reading. We
be running "blind"

~~If detector requires dry air, the~~
Vendor

Mel Fields 29448

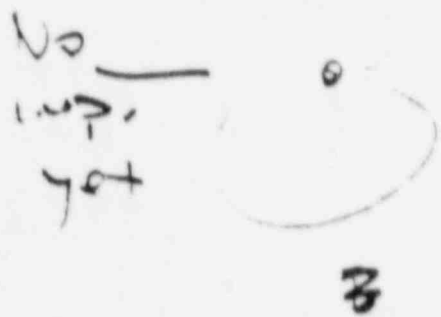
Grazio says no dryers^{are} associated with the H₂/O₂ monitors. Using heat tracing to maintain steam inside the pipe at appropriate temp for monitoring & containment after an accident.
10, CFR 50.44

inertial - short term

Witt says the above does not effect PASS capability. Fields & discussed with Grazio what capability Pilgrim would have to measure H₂/O₂. ~~It~~ It appears that about 27 hrs would pass before containment temp would match ~~the~~ temp of heat tracing unless operator action raises the heat tracing to containment temp after ~~an~~ accident - that could be done within 45 minutes according to Keyes (Grazio?) after operator attends to it. Dr. Butler told me + Fields such interim measure are acceptable short term but B&Co should propose long term corrections and I informed Keyes this is need promptly.

Drywell

- 1 @ bottom of lite bulb
- 1 10-15' above ground level bulb



Only 6

x 300 gpm

Design Change - only Drywell

Valving error on 2 val values
 make stroke

10,000

To deal with GE Mark I Issue :

W. Lanning

M. Caruso / G. H. Hagan / M. Virgilio



Contact

AEDD / ORAS

- Perf. Indicators Paper
- List BWR MK I
- SALP evals.

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Acknow! pipe needs & repair
Acknow! SALPs

& where approp. we take action
& require utility actions

Plants with more difficulties get
more attention from NRC.

We will not allow restart w/o satisf.

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Mark I's

are

TS/UTZ 3, 4

Drywell. with free-standing towers
(or concrete - Brunswick)

5/21 May Vaillancourt at Channel 2 Boston
(617) 492-9293

215 351-5330

Carl Abraham 485-1930
Ann Overton

requested re Pilgrim

1. how often shutdown over past 2 yrs?
Table 7 8 times from 10/1/85 - 10/31/85
2. estimated startup from present outage - by end of May
3. rate of reportable events $\frac{35}{13}$ (10/1/84 - 10/31/85)
Tables 1 + 2
4. how many citations 27 during (10/1/84 - 10/31/85)
Table 55 14 inspections

above info is from NRC SALP report for 10/1/84 - 10/31/85

told Sue Gagner at OPA jist of my conversation with
Mrs Vaillancourt

DISCUSSION ISSUES

1. Justification for Continued Operation
 - leak before break
 - crack propagation
 - structural integrity
2. Discuss the issues believed to allow the facility be considered unique, as well as plant specific actions.
3. Discuss the qualifications of the inspection team to be used
 - IEB 82-03
 - IEB 83-02
 - performance in the round robin
 - basis for using teams
4. Discuss the availability of inspection teams
 - their training
 - timing of inspections
5. Discuss occupational exposure issues
 - expected ORE
 - advantages and disadvantages of decantamination
 - influence on inspector availability
6. Discuss the length of time required to perform the UT inspection
 - as described in the 50.54(f) letter
 - benefits gained by performing partial inspections following a forced shutdown
 - ability to perform the inspection should an outage of greater than ten days occur
7. Discuss commitments regarding leakage
 - proposed actions in addition to T/S
 - floor and equipment drains
 - sensitivity of measurement devices
 - feasibility of identifying leakage during outages

- BRUNSWICK

- Details regarding previous inspections
- Plant specific features
 - RHR piping
 - Recirc piping

PILGRIM

- Commitment on leakage limits
- Hydrotest in 1983
 - leakage measured
 - how was it conducted
 - applicability to pipe crack issue
- Previous inspections (including round robin)
 - criteria as compared to IEB 83-02
 - technique
 - what terms were used
- Impact on proposed integrated program
- Breakdown of Costs - additional detail
 - direct and indirect
 - replacement power cost
- Qualification of automated UT

QUAD CITIES 2 & DRESDEN 3

- Use of IHSI on old operating plant
 - radiation exposure
 - effectiveness
 - potential adverse impact on deep cracks
- Realism of the assumed sequence: six weeks to inspect Dresden 3; resumption of operation for four weeks

BROWNS FERRY 3

- Impact other activities may have on BF 3 Shutdown
 - BF 1
 - Wattsbar
 - Sequoyah