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1999 Unit 2 SG Inspection

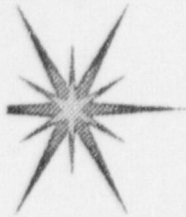
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February 25, 1999



NRC Meeting Agenda

Calvert Cliffs Unit 1 Steam Generator Inspection

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|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Introduction | A. Thornton |
| 2. Primary Side Activities | A. Saccavino |
| A. Eddy current inspection scope | |
| B. Inspection protocol | |
| C. Tube repairs | |
| D. Insitu pressure tests | |
| E. Upper bundle inspection | |
| F. Summary of Examination | |
| 3. Secondary Side Activities | J. Mate |
| 4. NRC Interactions | A. Thornton |



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Primary tube integrity assessment vendor

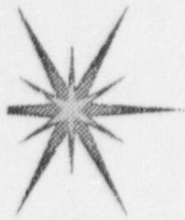
Framatome/Rockridge Technologies:

Primary tube inspection and repair vendor



Background Information

- * CE Model 67 SGs
 - 8519 tubes per SG
 - tube OD/wall - 0.75"/0.048"
 - tube material - Alloy 600 HT/MA
 - 8 egg crates, 2 solid drilled TSPs
 - tube plugs - Alloy 690
- * 15.9 EFPY
- * T_{hot} 594 F (since start up)
- * Plugging history
 - SG 21- 704 SG 22 - 443



SG Work Scope Objectives

- * Maintain SG tube integrity between inspections
- * Proactively inspect and repair SG tubes
- * Operate full cycle between inspections
- * Meet regulatory requirements and commitments
- * Apply site and industry experience



Exam Preparations

- * Degradation Assessment
 - site specific degradation
 - industry degradation
 - eddy current techniques
 - expansion criteria
 - repair criteria
- * Site specific analysis guidelines
- * Site specific analysts' exam
- * Free span cracking structural integrity assessment



Examination Philosophy

- * Focus Plus Point probe use on areas with the highest potential for structurally limiting degradation
 - H/L TTS - axial and circ ODSCC
 - Steam blanket region - axial ODSCC (R 6-15)
- * Upper bundle free span cracking not a structural threat
 - degradation morphology
 - pulled tube burst tests
 - insitu pressure tests



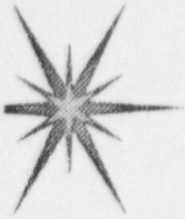
Eddy Current Exam

Bobbin exam:

- * 100% full length

Plus Point Exam:

- * 100% H/L top of tubesheet
- * 100% Steam Blanket
- * 20% low row U-bends
- * 20% C/L top of tubesheet
- * 20% dented intersections
- * Upper bundle -performance based



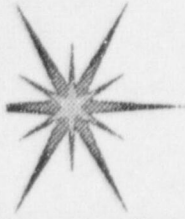
Expansion Strategy

- * Evaluate the need to expand the exam based on:
 - eddy current parameters
 - location of indications
 - indication density
 - metallurgical considerations
 - eddy current probe and technique capabilities



Examination Protocol

- * Independent primary and secondary analysis teams
- * Independent utility analysts
- * All analysts are QDA qualified
- * Analyst feedback system
- * Primary and secondary data management



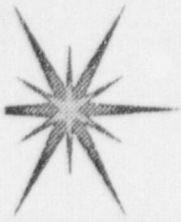
Tube Repairs

- * Disposition bobbin indications with Plus Point exam
- * Repair based on detection or confirmation by Plus Point
- * Tube repair method is plugging
- * Stabilizers will be installed in tubes containing:
 - circumferential defects
 - loose part degradation



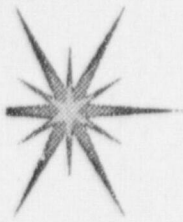
Insitu Pressure Tests

- * Insitu pressure testing of SG tubes:
 - insitu pressure tests anticipated on 5 - 10 tubes
 - evaluate as found tube conditions
 - benchmark the performance based tube integrity model
 - tubes selected based on limiting eddy current parameters and previous insitu test results



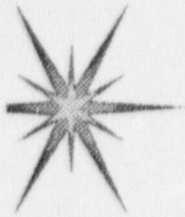
Upper Bundle Exam

- * Degradation History,
 - 1997 Exam - 20% Plus Point
 - Plus Point expansions to bound cracks
 - SG 21 - 7 axial cracks
 - SG 22 - 2 axial cracks
 - crack characteristics consistent with previously insitu or burst pressure tested axial tube flaws - structural integrity maintained at 3 delta P_{NOP} .
- * Performance based inspection is appropriate



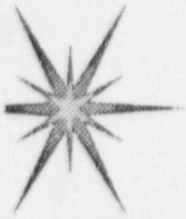
Upper Bundle Exam

- * Multi-cycle model (APTECH Eng.)
 - Monte Carlo simulation
 - predicts amount and severity of degradation
 - accounts for tube repairs
 - quantifies Probability of Burst(POB)
- * Model Parameters
 - defect initiation function
 - defect growth rate
 - defect length
 - tube material properties
 - inspection POD



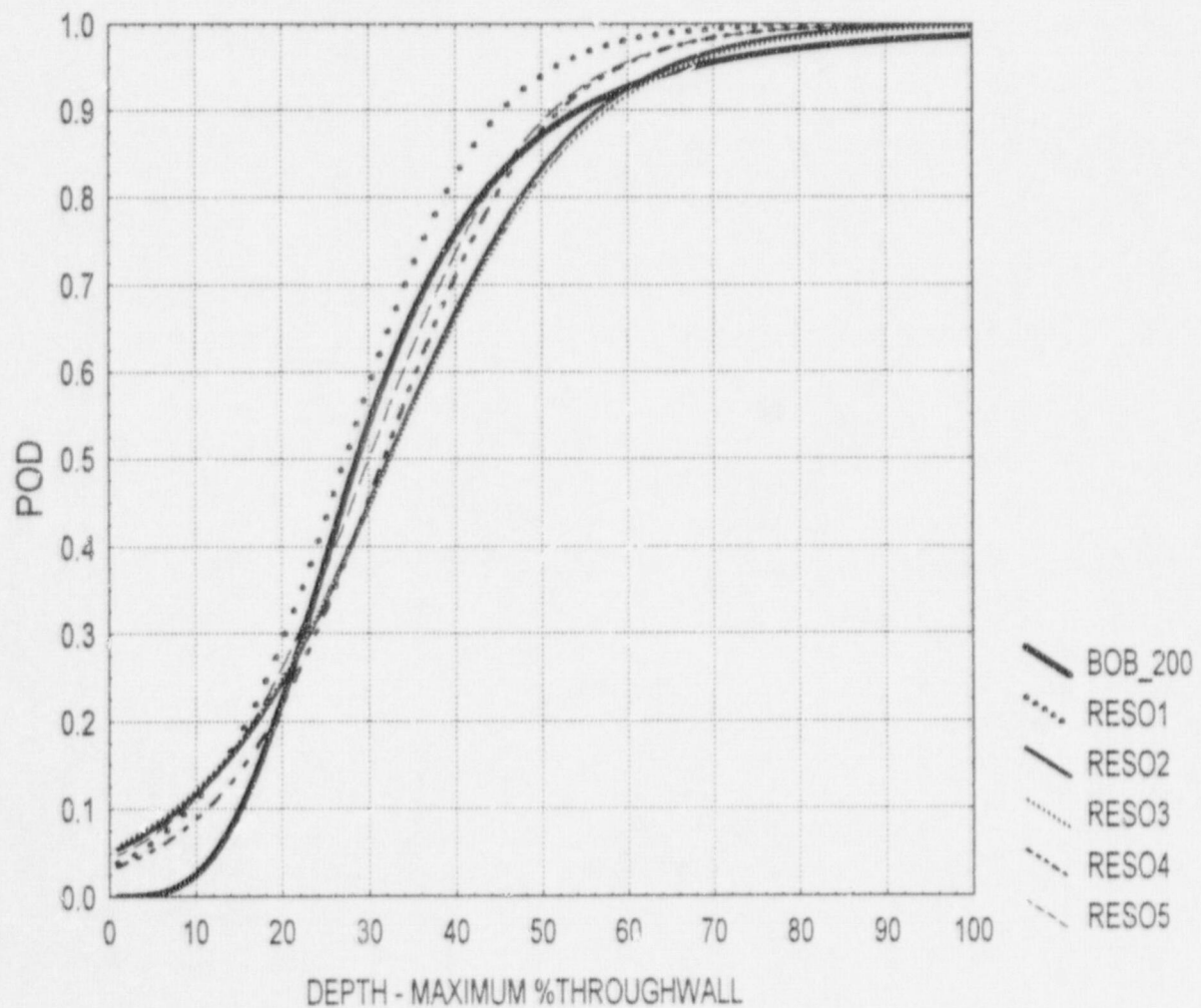
Upper Bundle Exam

- * Unit 2 Steam Generator Model
 - initiation function based on 1997 exam results
 - inspection technique POD is based on CCNPP SG pulled tube data
 - inspection technique POD validated by 1998 Unit 1 exam
 - Bounding burst equation results evaluated against a $POB = 0.01$
 - in outage validation of key parameters



Upper Bundle Exam

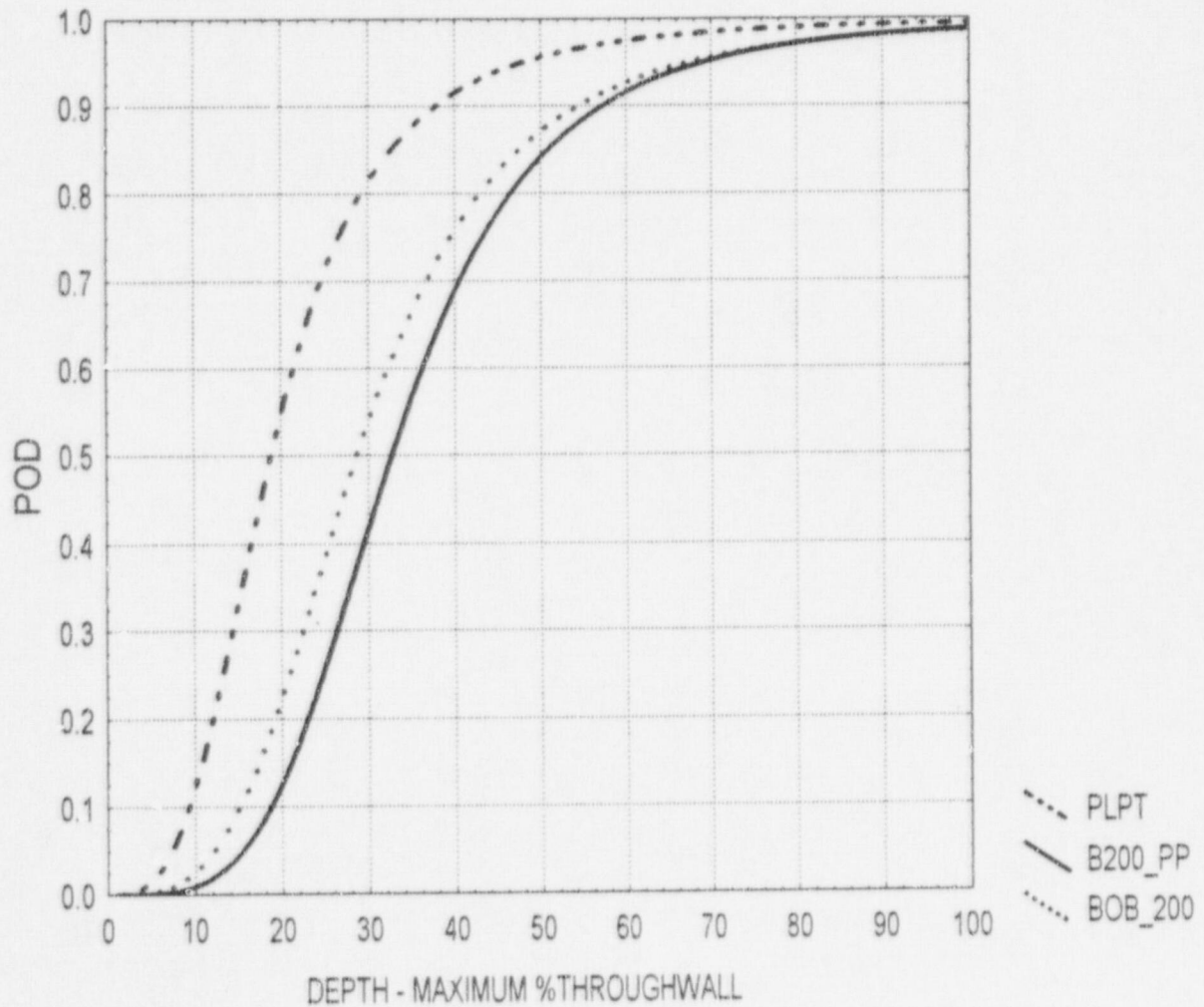
COMPARISON OF POD FUNCTIONS
BOBBIN 200KHZ VS TEAM-SPECIFIC PODS FROM SPD





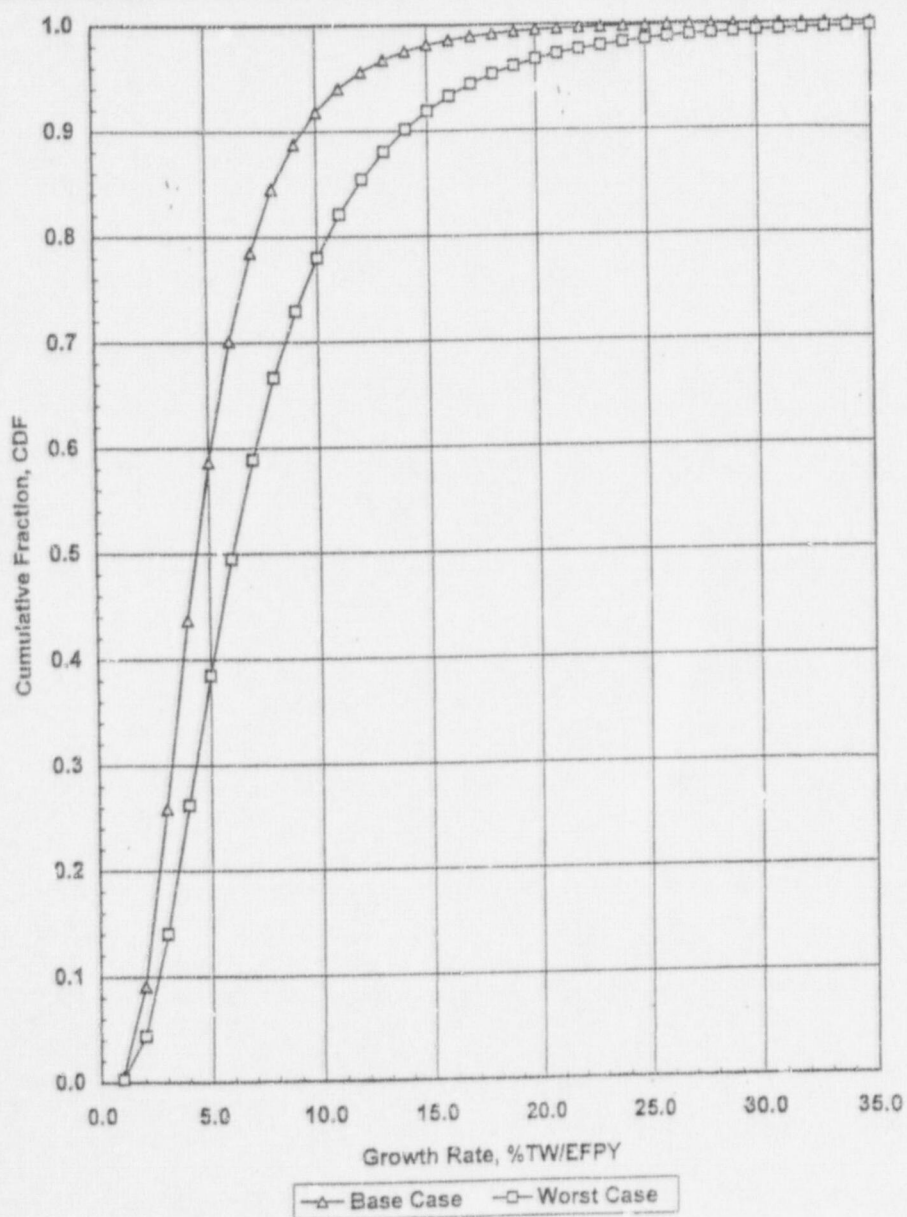
Upper Bundle Exam

COMPARISON OF POD FUNCTIONS
PLUSPOINT VS. BOBBIN-200KHZ VS. COMBINATION





Upper Bundle Exam



Freespan ODSCC Growth Rate Distributions.



Upper Bundle Exam

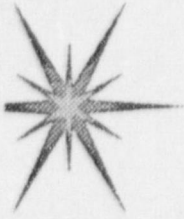
Inspection Plan

- * 100% Bobbin exam (200khz)
- * Plus Point confirmation and characterization of bobbin exam indications
- * Model validated by exam?
 - Yes - no expansion
 - No - evaluate the need to expand the Plus Point inspection scope

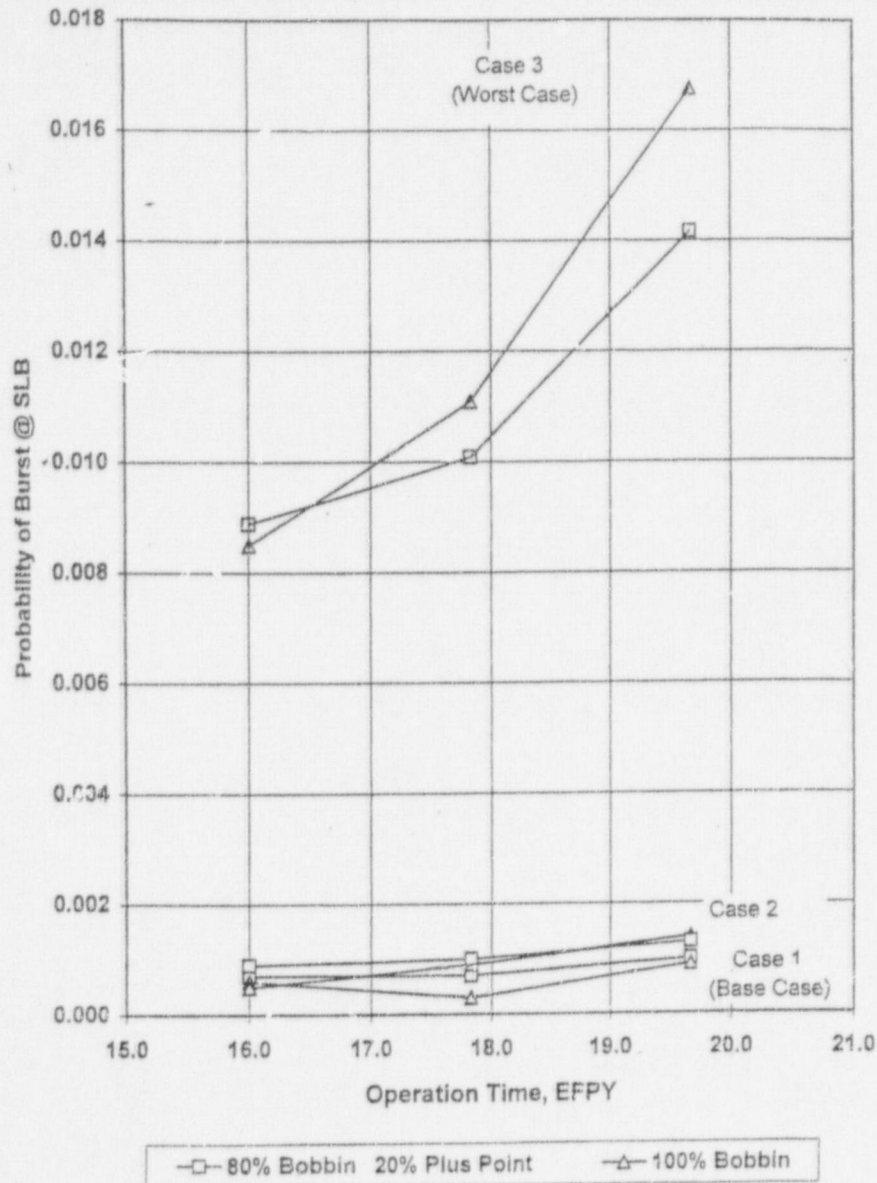


Upper Bundle Exam

- * Three cases analyzed
 - Case 1: Base Case
 - initiation function - correspond to median number of indications present in 1997
 - growth rate - corresponds to CCNPP Unit 1 and PVNGS Unit 3 data
 - Case 2: Limiting Initiation Case
 - initiation function - 1997 exam results correspond to the 5% lower bound of indications present
 - Case 3: Limiting Case
 - initiation function - from Case 2
 - growth rate - limiting value for axial free span cracking in CE Steam Generators



Upper Bundle Exam



Probability of Tube Burst at Steam Line Break.



Upper Bundle Exam

Conclusions:

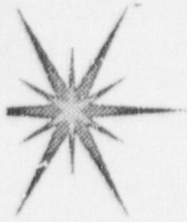
- * The 200 khz bobbin technique POD curve has been confirmed by the 1998 Unit 1 Steam Generator examination results.
- * A 100% bobbin exam using the 200khz technique maintains acceptable structural margin against tube burst.



Examination Summary

Exam maintains SG tube integrity:

- * 100% Plus Point inspection of areas with highest potential for structurally limiting degradation
- * Upper bundle approach maintains POB margin:
 - Validated bobbin POD
 - Pulled tube burst pressures
 - Very low probability of burst
 - Model validation
- * Conservative tube repair policy



Secondary Side Activities

- * Steam Generator Internals Visual Inspection
 - Similar to 1998 Unit 1 Inspection
 - Egg Crates (1 - 8) - Six drop locations
 - 4 hot leg
 - 2 cold leg
 - Solid Support Plates (9 & 10)
 - Baffle Support Lugs
 - Flow assisted corrosion (FAC) is primary degradation of concern



Secondary Side Activities

- * If Secondary Side Internals FAC is identified
 - expand inspection - identify extent of degradation
 - Upper Bundle Flush and Sludge Lance - removal of corrosion products
 - Pre-outage analysis - CEOG reports and additional egg crate degradation scenarios
 - Repairs - tube plugging and stabilization



NRC Interactions

Objective: Maintain open communications with the NRC

- * Brief the NRC Resident Inspector prior to the SG inspection
- * Communications flow through the Resident Inspector
- * Resident Inspector
 - access to daily report
 - weekly SGOC meeting
- * C3 inspection results notification to the region



Conclusion

The 1998 SG work scope:

- * maintains CCNPP's focus on nuclear safety
- * aggressively identifies and repairs degraded tubes
- * provides for inspection scope expansions as necessary to maintain tube integrity