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DECEMBER 15, 2021

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The Subcommittee met via Video-  
Teleconference, at 2:00 p.m. EST, Matthew Sunseri,  
Chairman, presiding.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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1 ACRS CONSULTANT:

2           STEPHEN SCHULTZ

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4 DESIGNATED FEDERAL OFFICIAL:

5           KENT HOWARD

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7 ALSO PRESENT:

8           PAUL AITKEN, Dominion Energy

9           BRIAN ALLIK, NRR

10          STEWART BAILEY, Region II

11          ERIC BLOCHER, Dominion Energy

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17          JOHN DISOSWAY, Dominion Energy

18          JEN ENGLAND, Region II

19          LAUREN GIBSON, NRR

20          CRAIG HEAH, Dominion Energy

21          ALLEN HISER, NRR

22          LOIS M. JAMES, NRR

23          BETH KEHLER HALUSKA, Dominion Energy

24          WILLIE LLOYD, Dominion Energy

25          KEITH MILLER, Dominion Energy

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HECTOR RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI, NRR

## P R O C E E D I N G S

2:00 p.m.

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3 CHAIR SUNSERI: Good afternoon, the  
4 meeting will now come to order. My name is Matthew  
5 Sunseri and I am the Subcommittee Chair for the Plant  
6 License Renewal Subcommittee.

7 The purpose of this Subcommittee meeting  
8 is for the NRC staff and Dominion Energy to brief the  
9 Subcommittee on the North Anna Power Station Units 1  
10 and 2 subsequent license renewal application.

11 ACRS members in attendance are -- I'm  
12 looking across the screen and see Member Ron  
13 Ballinger, Vicki Bier, Vesna Dmitrijevic, Greg Halnon,  
14 Dave Petti, Joy Rempe, and we are also joined by our  
15 consultant Steve Schultz.

16 Did I miss anybody that's hidden in a  
17 phone number without a name?

18 MEMBER BROWN: You missed me, but I'm not  
19 hidden. It's Charlie and I couldn't see anybody  
20 else's name other than yours and Vicki's, which was  
21 interesting.

22 CHAIR SUNSERI: Charles Brown, I see you  
23 now. During today's meeting, the Subcommittee will  
24 gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts,  
25 and formulate proposed positions and actions as

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1 appropriate. At the Subcommittee's discretion, any  
2 matter discussed will be considered for presentation  
3 to the full Committee, and I will summarize those at  
4 the end of the meeting.

5 The ACRS was established by statute and  
6 was governed by the Federal Advisory Committee Act.  
7 The Committee only speaks through its published letter  
8 reports. Because this is a Subcommittee meeting,  
9 participants should consider any remarks by ACRS  
10 members as their individual comments and not Committee  
11 positions.

12 We hold Subcommittee meetings to gather  
13 information and perform preparatory work that will  
14 support our deliberation at full Committee meetings.  
15 And just as a reminder, I believe the full Committee  
16 for this session is scheduled for February 2, 2022.

17 The rules for participation in all ACRS  
18 meetings including today's were announced previously  
19 in the Federal Register and included on our website.  
20 The ACRS Section of the U.S. NRC public website  
21 provides our charters, bylaws, agendas, letter  
22 reports, and transcripts of all full and Subcommittee  
23 meetings including the material present.

24 As stated on our website, members of the  
25 public who desire to provide written or oral input to

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1 the Subcommittee may do so and should contact the  
2 designated federal officer.

3 Kent, have we had any request for public  
4 comment?

5 MR. HOWARD: None yet.

6 CHAIR SUNSERI: Okay, but we will still  
7 open up the line at the end. During today's meeting,  
8 it's open to public attendance and there will be time  
9 set aside during the meeting for comments from members  
10 of the public attending or listening in.

11 Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, today's  
12 meeting is being held over Microsoft Teams for ACRS  
13 members, Dominion Energy, and NRC attendees. There is  
14 also a call-in number allowed for participation of the  
15 public to connect to the Teams session.

16 A transcript of today's meeting is being  
17 kept; therefore, we request that meeting participants  
18 not on the agenda identify themselves when they are  
19 asked to speak, and to speak with sufficient clarity  
20 and volume so they could readily be heard.

21 At this time, I asked the attendees, with  
22 the exception of the Dominion presenters,  
23 participating through the public line to put their  
24 devices on mute to minimize disruptions and only  
25 unmute when you are speaking. And it's command star-6

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1 to unmute yourself.

2 Based on some affiliations outside of the  
3 ACRS, I will be recusing myself for deliberations on  
4 metal fatigue analysis of the primary system and  
5 radiation analysis of the reactor pressure vessel.

6 Members, before we get into any comments,  
7 are there questions from members about today's agenda?

8 All right, then, we will proceed. And at  
9 this time I call on Mr. Brian Smith, Division Director  
10 of the Division of New and Renewed Licenses.

11 Brian, you have the floor.

12 MR. SMITH: Thank you, Chairman Sunseri  
13 and members of the ACRS Subcommittee on Plant License  
14 Renewal. Good afternoon. As the Chairman said, my  
15 name is Brian Smith and I'm the Director of the  
16 Division of New and Renewed Licenses here at NRR.

17 We sincerely appreciate the opportunity  
18 today to present to the ACRS Subcommittee on the  
19 results of the staff's review of the fourth  
20 application for subsequent license renewal.

21 This application was submitted by Virginia  
22 Electric and Power Company, or Dominion, for the North  
23 Anna Power Station Units 1 and 2, located in Louisa,  
24 Virginia.

25 By way of background, North Anna Units 1

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1 and 2 received approval for their initial license  
2 renewal license from the NRC on March 20th of 2003.

3 The NRC review at that time was performed  
4 using guidance developed prior to the issuance of the  
5 generic aging license lessons learned report, or the  
6 GALL report.

7 The NRC guidance for license renewal over  
8 the years has evolved through enhancements and  
9 improvements based on the lessons learned from NRC  
10 reviews from both domestic and international industry  
11 operating experience.

12 The GALL report has gone through two  
13 revisions and additional interim staff guidance was  
14 issued following Revision 2. The guidance for  
15 subsequent license renewal is contained in the GALL  
16 SLR document.

17 This was built upon previous guidance and  
18 included additional focus and enhancements where  
19 necessary on aging, management, and time-limiting  
20 aging analysis for operation in the 60 to 80-year time  
21 period.

22 In the staff's presentation today, you  
23 will hear about some of the specific SLR issues as  
24 applied to the North Anna review. The NRC Project  
25 Managers for the North Anna subsequent license renewal

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1 application review are Lois James and Hector  
2 Rodriguez-Luccioni.

3 Hector will introduce the staff who will  
4 be introducing or presenting the questions regarding  
5 the staff's review.

6 Part of the management team here with me  
7 today is Lauren Gibson, the chief of the License  
8 Renewal Project Branch, and branch chiefs for the  
9 staff involved in the technical review, including Joe  
10 Colaccino and Steve Bloom.

11 We also have with us representatives from  
12 Region II including Stewart Bailey, chief of the  
13 Reactor Project Branch and the Division of Reactor  
14 Projects in Region II. And Jen England, senior  
15 resident inspector at North Anna.

16 I'd like to note that the staff completed  
17 its review with no confirmatory or open items in the  
18 safety evaluation report.

19 The staff will provide an overview of the  
20 safety review and highlight a few technical areas that  
21 may be of interest to the Subcommittee members.

22 Finally, we will address any questions you  
23 might have on the staff's presentations. We look  
24 forward to a productive discussion today with the ACRS  
25 Subcommittee.

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1           At this time I'd like to turn the  
2 presentation over to Paul Phelps, Dominion Engineering  
3 Director, SLR, to introduce his team and commence the  
4 presentation.

5           MR. PHELPS: Thank you, Brian. Good  
6 afternoon. My name is Paul Phelps and I am the  
7 Engineering Director responsible for the North Anna  
8 Power Station subsequent license renewal, or SLR,  
9 project.

10           We appreciate the opportunity to speak  
11 with the ACRS Committee today on Dominion Energy's  
12 application for subsequent license renewal. This is  
13 a very important day and we appreciate the support and  
14 look forward to presenting the SLR application  
15 highlights to the Committee.

16           By the way of my background, I have been  
17 in the nuclear industry for over 30 years. I am  
18 responsible for various SLR-related projects that are  
19 currently under development in Virginia.

20           We have stood up the organization not only  
21 to perform the requisite work for the relicensing of  
22 the station, but we also have a large organization  
23 that is currently working on projects to improve the  
24 safety, reliability, and aging management for North  
25 Anna Power Station through various modifications. I

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1 will provide some of those insights in a couple of  
2 slides.

3           Next slide. I want to take the time to  
4 introduce the team assembled with me here today. Paul  
5 Aiken is the engineering manager responsible for the  
6 development of the North Anna SLR application. Paul  
7 led the team for the successful Surry subsequent  
8 license renewal project, which was the third SLR for  
9 the industry.

10           Paul was also involved in a leadership  
11 role in all of the Dominion Energy's first license  
12 renewal projects dating back to 1999 and over the last  
13 few years has been engaged with various organizations  
14 such as EPRI, Department of Energy, PWR Owners Group,  
15 NEI, and various vendors to ensure alignment on  
16 various technical topics in support of subsequent  
17 license renewal.

18           Keith Miller is one of the team's  
19 technical leads. Keith has been a member of the SLR  
20 team since 2017. He has served in different roles  
21 within the SLR team and is currently the technical  
22 staff lead for again management programs.

23           Eric Blocher is the next technical lead.  
24 Eric has been involved in various first license  
25 renewal applications in the industry. He brings his

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1 extensive knowledge to the team and has been deeply  
2 involved in the development of the GALL SLR, not only  
3 on behalf of Dominion Energy but for the nuclear  
4 industry. Eric will be presenting the technical  
5 topics later in the presentation.

6 Craig Heah is the technical lead in the  
7 scoping and screening activities. Craig has 14 years  
8 of nuclear experience, he was the last chairman of the  
9 NEI mechanical license renewal working group during  
10 the transition to GALL SLR. Craig will be assisting  
11 the team with a slideshow and will be available to  
12 answer any scoping or screening questions that you may  
13 have during the presentation.

14 Along with the team I introduced, we have  
15 senior station leaders on the virtual call as well.  
16 I would like to recognize Fred Mildan. Fred is  
17 currently the site vice president at North Anna Power  
18 Station. Fred will be transitioning to Surry Power  
19 Station to be the site vice president in the New Year.

20 Lisa Hilbert, who is currently the plant  
21 manager, will transition to be the new site vice  
22 president at North Anna power station on January 1st,  
23 2022.

24 In addition, we also have technical staff  
25 available in the virtual audience or in the room with

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1 me should we need some assistance on any questions you  
2 may have during our portion of the presentation. If  
3 needed, they will identify themselves and address your  
4 question.

5 Next slide. I want to cover the agenda  
6 for today's meeting. We will discuss the station  
7 overview performance, SLR application development, SLR  
8 aging management programs, technical topics, and  
9 closing remarks.

10 Next slide. Here's an overview of the  
11 station in a 50-mile radius. North Anna Power Station  
12 is located in Louisa County, Virginia adjacent to Lake  
13 Anna. Lake Anna was constructed to serve the needs of  
14 the station by damming the North Anna River.

15 The area includes both populated and  
16 industrialized areas as well as expansive rural areas  
17 and spans from Northern Virginia to the suburb south  
18 of our state capital, Richmond, and from the upper  
19 Chesapeake Bay to the area West of Charlottesville.

20 Included in this area are many military  
21 installations and airports providing international  
22 travel. Next slide. North Anna is a Westinghouse  
23 three-loop pressurized water reactor with an output  
24 net capacity of over 1900 megawatts.

25 Together, these two units are capable of

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1 producing approximately 15 percent of Virginia's  
2 electricity needs. Unit 1 started commercial  
3 operation in 1978 and Unit 2 started commercial  
4 operation in 1980.

5 The independent spent fuel storage  
6 installation facility recently had the site-specific  
7 license renewed in 2018. A 4.3 percent power upgrade  
8 was implemented in 1986 prior to the initial license  
9 renewal.

10 The renewed licenses for both Surry and  
11 North Anna Power Stations were issued in March of  
12 2003. Lastly, North Anna entered the period of  
13 extended operation in 2018 and 2020 for Units 1 and 2  
14 respectively.

15 Next slide. Here is an aerial view of the  
16 station. I will highlight some of the more  
17 significant features to help the Committee get  
18 orientated. At the upper right of the photo is the  
19 North Anna reservoir.

20 The reservoir is approximately 9600 acres  
21 and provides the condenser cooling water source for  
22 the station. After traveling through the station,  
23 circulating water exits to the discharge canal  
24 pictured in the bottom right.

25 The discharge canal flows into the waste

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1 heat treatment facility which serves to dissipate  
2 waste heat from the circulating water discharged prior  
3 to returning to the reservoir.

4 The waste heat treatment facility is a  
5 series of a lagoons totaling about 3400 acres that is  
6 separated from the reservoir by a series of dikes.  
7 The water cools as the water traverses through the  
8 waste treatment facility and ultimately re-enters the  
9 North Anna reservoir at one of the dikes.

10 In the center of the photo are the Unit 1  
11 and 2 reinforced concrete containment structures in  
12 the turbine building behind them in the light blue.  
13 At the upper left is the switch yard. At the lower  
14 left is the service water reservoir.

15 The administration building, the two-story  
16 white building between the reservoir and the discharge  
17 canal, is where many of the plant staff work. Here is  
18 some high-level information under performance of North  
19 Anna.

20 To note, North Anna operates on an 18-  
21 month refueling frequency. The plant capacity factor  
22 has been good, as reflected in the bullets above. As  
23 far as the regulatory oversight process, North Anna is  
24 in Column 1 and has been there since 2013.

25 Additionally, ROP indicator status has

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1 been all green since 2000 for Unit 1 and 2010 for Unit  
2 2. Next slide. There has been significant capital  
3 investments made to North Anna since the first re-  
4 license was issued in 2003.

5 As I mentioned in my opening remarks,  
6 Dominion Energy will continue to invest in North Anna  
7 to maintain safety and plant reliability for the  
8 current and the subsequent period of extended  
9 operation.

10 There is a partial list of some of the  
11 major mods that have been completed at North Anna. I  
12 would like to highlight a few.

13 North Anna has performed a reactor vessel  
14 head replacement on both units, replaced the reserve  
15 station service transformers, which supply power to  
16 the emergency buses, replaced the main transformers on  
17 both units, replaced the main generators on both  
18 units, and performed reactor vessel upflow conversion  
19 on both units.

20 At this time, I will transition the  
21 presentation to Paul Aiken to provide an overview of  
22 the SLR application development process.

23 MR. AITKEN: Thanks, Paul, good afternoon.  
24 My name is Paul Aiken and I'm the engineering manager  
25 responsible for the development of the Surry and North

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1 Anna subsequent license renewal applications.

2 By way of background, I have been in the  
3 nuclear industry for over 30 years and as what  
4 previously mentioned by Paul, involved in license  
5 renewals for the Dominion fleet and most recently, the  
6 Surry applications.

7 I will be providing an overview of the  
8 North Anna SLR application development process and  
9 other considerations for the Committee today. Next  
10 slide, please.

11 Following a successful Surry project, the  
12 SLR team did a thorough evaluation to identify things  
13 that went well and things that we could improve on for  
14 North Anna both internally and working with the NRC on  
15 the NRC review process.

16 One area that we focused on was improving  
17 consistency with the GALL SLR. A significant  
18 advantage that we could leverage in the development of  
19 the North Anna application is that Surry and North  
20 Anna are considered sister plants based on  
21 similarities and design and operation.

22 In fact, the similarities were so profound  
23 that there was only one license renewal application  
24 submitted for both plants during the first license  
25 renewal.

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1 I believe that the similarities between  
2 North Anna and Surry allow for a more efficient review  
3 by the NRC staff since many of the aging management  
4 programs and supporting materials were either the  
5 same or very similar.

6 For those three programs, we were  
7 proactive and implemented as many enhancements as we  
8 could for North Anna that were identified during the  
9 Surry application preparation in review.

10 For every procedure enhancement that we  
11 were able to implement prior to the North Anna  
12 application submittal, we increased our alignment to  
13 the GALL SLR and decreased the number of enhancements  
14 the station would need to implement upon issuance of  
15 the subsequent or renewed licenses.

16 I feel that we are very effective in that  
17 regard and reduce our total enhancements by over half.

18 In addition, the same Dominion project  
19 team identified and examined any lessons learned from  
20 the Surry review, including audit questions and RAIs,  
21 and incorporated those improvements into the North  
22 Anna application as appropriate.

23 Together, this resulted in reducing the  
24 overall number of RAIs between Surry and North Anna.

25 Additionally, following the Surry review,

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1 the NRC staff in the first three lead SLR applicants,  
2 had identified various areas for which future SLR  
3 applications and staff reviews could be completed more  
4 effectively and efficiently.

5 One of the focus areas was related to  
6 aging management programs that required exceptions to  
7 be taken for issues that were generic in nature.

8 As an example, the GALL SLR water  
9 chemistry has endorsed an EPRI document that has since  
10 been revised to update the content based on more  
11 current information.

12 Due to the difference in revision levels,  
13 the SLR applicants had to take an exception and  
14 provide a basis.

15 It was an easy technical justification but  
16 the industry felt it was an opportunity to reduce an  
17 exception and suggested the change to the staff.

18 Ultimately, this example resulted in a  
19 series of four interim staff guidance documents issued  
20 in early 2021, which reduced the number of AMPs with  
21 exceptions by nearly half of North Anna.

22 Keith Miller will provide some additional  
23 context for the Committee following my presentation.  
24 Dominion and the industry also worked with the NRC to  
25 identify opportunities to streamline the overall

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1 review process.

2           There were several improvements supported  
3 by the NRC. Among them were a focus from the industry  
4 -- there were several improvements supported by the  
5 NRC.

6           Among them were a focus from the industry  
7 and the NRC management teams on minimizing multiple  
8 rounds of RAIs, which can be a resource strength for  
9 the NRC staff and the applicant.

10           Another item that I would like to mention  
11 is the integration of the standalone OE audit used for  
12 the SLR lead plans. Instead, the NRC staff adjusted  
13 their review of OE into the larger safety office.

14           This change reduced the administrative  
15 burden on the staff related to the execution and  
16 reporting of a separate audit but it also eliminated  
17 the cost of supporting a separate audit for the  
18 applicants.

19           CHAIR SUNSERI: Hey, Paul, before you go  
20 onto the next slide, just a question. I think I heard  
21 you say that on the first round of license renewal,  
22 Surry and North Anna were treated as one application.  
23 Did I hear that right?

24           MR. AITKEN: Yes, sir, that's correct.

25           CHAIR SUNSERI: And so was there some

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1 reason it was different this time?

2 MR. AITKEN: It was really just the timing  
3 of the plant, it was a period of extended operations.  
4 Surry entered in 2012 and 2013 respectively where  
5 North Anna was 2018 and 2020.

6 So, it was just a timing issue but if they  
7 were on the PO we could have done the same thing.

8 CHAIR SUNSERI: That makes sense to me  
9 then. I just was exploring whether or not there was  
10 any technical reasons but it's the administrative  
11 timing.

12 MR. AITKEN: No problem, good question,  
13 thank you.

14 I want to provide a brief summary of the  
15 difference between the first license renewal and the  
16 subsequent license renewal with respect to the  
17 integrated plan assessment.

18 For scoping and screening there were  
19 minimal changes in the overall process approach. This  
20 is primarily because the established industry criteria  
21 hasn't changed very much from first license renewal.

22 However, one area we expected to have  
23 adjustments was related to scoping and screening for  
24 altitude that's non-safety-related which can affect  
25 safety-related equipment.

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1           This was due to the criteria and guidance  
2           evolving since the first license renewal, as Brian  
3           noted in his opening remarks. North Anna, as well as  
4           Surry, were pre-op plans so we're in the same  
5           situation of updating the methodology and scoping of  
6           additional plan equipment.

7           In the area of aging management reviews,  
8           the expansion in the number of aging effects that we  
9           had to address significantly increased due to the  
10          vintage of the previous application and the evolution  
11          of the GALL over the years.

12          The biggest difference was in aging  
13          management programs. Currently, for first license  
14          renewal, we have 25 aging management programs. Moving  
15          into subsequent license renewal, there will be 48  
16          aging management programs.

17          Again, Keith Miller will speak to the  
18          aging management program details following my remarks.  
19          Next slide, please. During the aging management  
20          review, our alignment with the GALL SLR was at 99.7  
21          percent, with the use of industry footnotes alpha  
22          through echo for aging management reviews.

23          I believe that this high degree alignment  
24          to the GALL SLR was the result of the efforts by the  
25          NRC staff in the industry to broaden the GALL SLR to

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1 capture the additional material, environment, and  
2 aging accommodations that were identified during the  
3 first license renewal application.

4 Also, the recent interim staff guidance  
5 documents that I previously mentioned also adopted  
6 additional aging effects for material and environment  
7 combinations that did not previously exist that could  
8 now be used during the application development to  
9 further increase alignment with GALL SLR.

10 In terms of aging management programs, we  
11 have a total of 48 and the associated enhancements  
12 will be tracked on an amp-by-amp basis within the  
13 Dominion Energy commitment tracking system following  
14 issuance of the renewed license.

15 I will leave you with a sense that these  
16 commitments were discussed with the station team and  
17 agreed upon for implementation.

18 Some commitment items have already been  
19 addressed and Dominion Energy will ensure the proper  
20 resources in place to implement the commitment on or  
21 ahead of schedule.

22 That's all I have for my portion of the  
23 presentation. Are there any questions for me before  
24 I turn it over to Keith Miller?

25 CHAIR SUNSERI: This is Matt again, maybe

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1 it's a question for you or somebody else later on.  
2 I'll just pose it here and then if you can answer it,  
3 fine, and if it needs to wait until later, that's fine  
4 too.

5 So, you're going to be in the situation  
6 where your requirements from your first license  
7 renewal are going to be overlapping with the  
8 subsequent license renewal.

9 So, is there any synergy there or overlap  
10 of activities that either make it more difficult or  
11 make it easier to transition to the subsequent license  
12 period?

13 MR. AITKEN: I think we're going to touch  
14 upon that matter with some of the Keith's information  
15 and if we don't hit the bulls eye with the question  
16 we'll revisit that.

17 CHAIR SUNSERI: Yes, because I just know  
18 some inspections are required in a timeframe tenure  
19 before entering the subsequent and the one period  
20 they're doing inspections and monitoring as well, I  
21 just was curious of how that was going to work.

22 Thanks.

23 MEMBER HALNON: This is Greg, I've got a  
24 couple questions if I can.

25 CHAIR SUNSERI: Yes, Greg, go ahead.

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1                   MEMBER HALNON: You've almost doubled your  
2 aging management programs and you said you had  
3 sufficient staff. How are those distributed? Are  
4 they mostly in the mechanical area?

5                   Give me a general overview of the 23 new  
6 programs that you have and how those are being  
7 distributed with the staff?

8                   MR. AITKEN: Yes, Greg, good question.  
9 Again, Keith is going to break that down for you in  
10 the next few slides and he'll give you a sense of the  
11 breakdown between mechanical, electrical and subtle.

12                  MEMBER HALNON: Okay, I'll take that as a  
13 commitment. The other question, I'm just curious,  
14 with the experience you have with the license renewal,  
15 have you done any focused self-assessments on the  
16 aging management programs that are existing?

17                  And if you did, what were the findings  
18 there?

19                  MR. AITKEN: Yes, we did. We did some  
20 effectiveness reviews on the current aging management  
21 programs and I think, Keith is going to talk about  
22 that. I don't want to steal his thunder because he  
23 does have some good information to share with you.

24                  MEMBER HALNON: You gave him plenty to  
25 talk about, I'll wait.

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1 MR. AITKEN: For sure, good question and  
2 we appreciate it.

3 MR. MILLER: Thanks, Paul, and good  
4 afternoon. Again, my name is Keith Miller and I'm the  
5 aging management program lead for the North Anna  
6 subsequent license renewal project.

7 I'll be providing an overview of the SLR  
8 aging management programs and some other  
9 considerations for the Committee today.

10 North Anna SLR project team member have  
11 been deeply involved with industry groups such as NEI,  
12 EPRI, and the PWR Owners Group.

13 Additionally, as Paul previously  
14 mentioned, Dominion Energy actively participated in  
15 the identification and development of the ISGs issued  
16 in early 2021.

17 Operating experience was reviewed for a  
18 ten-year period to inform the aging management  
19 programs and in addition to operating experience,  
20 recent license renewal RAIs associated with the Surry,  
21 Turkey Point, and Peach Bottom SLR projects, and  
22 recent first license renewal projects were reviewed  
23 for insights.

24 A project team also participated in the  
25 Turkey Point and Peach Bottom industry peer reviews to

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1 provide AMP insights and share constructive comments.

2 Prior to the submittal of the application,  
3 the effectiveness of aging management activities was  
4 assessed using the evaluation elements identification  
5 in NEI 1412, which provides industry guidance on AMP  
6 effectiveness reviews.

7 I think this goes to one of the previous  
8 questions but many of the programs had no gaps  
9 identified when that NEI 1412 review was performed.  
10 Where gaps were identified, they were recorded in the  
11 corrective action program.

12 And those NEI 1412 reviews were discussed  
13 in each of the Appendix B sections on operating  
14 experience in the application.

15 MEMBER HALNON: This is Greg. Did you  
16 have gaps that surprised you to the point where you  
17 had to take some immediate action? Or were they just  
18 basically administrative?

19 MR. MILLER: Yes, I would characterize any  
20 of the gaps you identified as administrative. There  
21 was nothing that jumped out to that extent that you  
22 highlighted.

23 MEMBER HALNON: I kind of figured that but  
24 when you double the programs, I was just curious if  
25 there was anything that carried over as corrective

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1 actions that would be used in the new programs to  
2 ensure that those gaps didn't show up.

3 MR. MILLER: This slide provides some  
4 perspective on the first license renewal AMPs and how  
5 they've evolved for subsequent license renewal.

6 25 first license renewal aging management  
7 programs were the starting point for the evolution and  
8 enhancement into subsequent license renewal aging  
9 management programs.

10 All first license renewal aging management  
11 activities were continued and incorporated into SLR  
12 AMPs. None were discontinued, and several first  
13 license renewal AMPs were consistent with GALL SLR or  
14 else they required enhancement to be consistent.

15 As sort of an example of how we got to a  
16 total of 48 AMPs, we had several first license renewal  
17 aging management programs that were subdivided into  
18 GALL SLR AMPs.

19 One example I can give you is the  
20 containment inspection first license renewal program,  
21 which was subdivided into ASME Subsection IWE or IWL  
22 inspections. Another example is a work control  
23 program, which was actually subdivided into five GALL  
24 SLR programs.

25 This pie chart slide shows the final

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1 results of the combination and subdivision process of  
2 the first license renewal AMPs, which produced 48 GALL  
3 SLR aging management programs. So, I think this gets  
4 to another of the previous questions.

5 But you can see there the majority of the  
6 SLR AMPs are mechanical-related. We had 28 SLR  
7 mechanical programs that evolved from 19 first license  
8 renewal programs.

9 You see there's also some significant  
10 change from first license renewal to SLR in the  
11 structural and electrical areas.

12 For structural we have eight SLR programs  
13 that have evolved from four first license renewal  
14 programs and electrical has nine SLR programs from two  
15 first license renewal programs.

16 And then you can see the three time-  
17 limited aging analyses. Next I'm going to discuss the  
18 consistency of the North Anna AMPs with the GALL SLR.

19 Looking at the left-hand column, you can  
20 see there are 41 existing AMPs that resulted from the  
21 combination and subdivision process of the first  
22 license renewal AMPs.

23 And SLR existing AMPs are augmented by  
24 seven new aging management programs. The remainder of  
25 the columns provide some perspective on our

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1 consistency with GALL. So, half of the 48 SLR AMPs  
2 are consistent without enhancement.

3 Approximately a third are consistent with  
4 enhancement. We have three AMPs that are consistent  
5 with exception and four have exceptions and  
6 enhancements.

7 So, with regards to exceptions, this was  
8 particularly a major improvement from Surry.

9 Surry, we had 12 AMPs with exceptions  
10 whereas for North Anna we only have 7 AMPs with  
11 exceptions. For the next slide, I'll provide some  
12 context on the new GALL SLR AMPs and the AMPs with  
13 exceptions.

14 CHAIR SUNSERI: I would just comment that  
15 I think it's notable you had seven new AMPs and they  
16 were all consistent with the GALL, that's very good.

17 MR. MILLER: Thank you for that comment.  
18 So, this slide shows our new SLR aging management  
19 programs. The first three are mechanical in nature and  
20 primarily involve one-time inspections.

21 The next four are electrical-related and  
22 involve inspections of inaccessible cables, cable  
23 connectors, and high voltage insulators. Next, I'll  
24 provide a listing of GALL AMPs with exceptions.

25 So, this slide lists all the AMPs with one

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1 or more exceptions and a brief description of the  
2 nature of each exception. The majority of these are  
3 related to alternate test frequencies, alternate  
4 inspection techniques, or to account for plant-  
5 specific configurations.

6 It's notable that six of the ten  
7 exceptions were confined to just three AMPs indicating  
8 that there's not exceptions spread across a large  
9 number of AMPs.

10 So, just to give you an example of the  
11 category of one that would fall into a test frequency  
12 exception, for outfits like cooling water, North Anna  
13 takes exception to the requirement to perform testing  
14 of the research spray heat exchangers every five  
15 years, due in part to the fact that significant design  
16 modifications would be required to support heat  
17 transfer testing of the research spray heat  
18 exchangers.

19 It's notable that their normal plant  
20 operation, the recirculation coolers are maintained in  
21 dry layout. North Anna flow tests the research spray  
22 heat exchangers every 18 months and any current tests  
23 individually inspects them every 18 years.

24 And engineering evaluated the once every  
25 12 refueling outage at every current inspection

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1 period. They looked at a review of prior operating  
2 experience, flow tests between 2009 and 2019  
3 identified little or no blockage.

4 And all the tests were completed  
5 satisfactorily, as well as piping inspection results  
6 between 2007 and 2017 show the piping was in  
7 satisfactory condition.

8 An example I can give you of a plant-  
9 specific configuration exception is related to reactor  
10 head closure stud bolting.

11 The GALL recommends the use of material  
12 with actual yield strengths of less than 150K a side  
13 for replacement studs or 170K a side ultimate yield  
14 strength for in-service studs.

15 North Anna studs were not procured under  
16 prospects that limited the max yield and ultimate  
17 tests of strength, which presents the potential  
18 concern for stress corrosion cracking.

19 The volumetric exam method in place for  
20 the ASME code is appropriate to identify cracking and  
21 no recordable indications of cracking have been  
22 identified, indicating the program's been effective.

23 Next slide, please.

24 CHAIR SUNSERI: One question, Keith. On  
25 the open cycle cooling water heat exchanger, how much

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1 margin do you have on that heat exchanger between  
2 baseline capacity and necessary capacity? Do you know  
3 or have any idea?

4 MR. MILLER: Off the top of my head, I  
5 don't know but we could take that question to the  
6 larger group and get back with you at the next break.

7 CHAIR SUNSERI: I'm just curious, if  
8 you're deferring or taking exception to the challenge,  
9 I just was curious of how much margin you have to  
10 support that. That would be good if you could get  
11 that.

12 MEMBER HALNON: Keith, one other question,  
13 this is Greg.

14 On the metallic storage tanks, the  
15 inspections of tank concrete foundation interfaces,  
16 back in 2013, I think in the October letter you guys  
17 had one issue that you identified from the earthquake,  
18 which is some grouting in containment that I think was  
19 cracked between a concrete wall and some grout.

20 Has this exception got anything to do with  
21 the earthquake to make sure any movement that would  
22 have occurred doesn't carry over into future  
23 inspections? What are the exceptions for?

24 Let me ask you that.

25 MR. MILLER: It doesn't have anything to

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1 do with the earthquake. Primarily, it's a plant-  
2 specific consideration issue. An example I can give  
3 you is one piece of the exception is for the emergency  
4 common safe storage tanks.

5 They don't use hawking or sealant for the  
6 concrete component interface so they don't require  
7 inspection of it.

8 Their configuration is a little bit  
9 different in that they have a concrete missile shield  
10 that surrounds them and expansion filler foam that  
11 goes in between the gap between the shield and the  
12 tank itself, which prevents water from entering,  
13 basically serves the function of what the grout would  
14 do at the base of a tank.

15 MEMBER HALNON: So, the term emergency  
16 concrete storage tank, is that your emergency  
17 feedwater storage for extended-type access?

18 MR. MILLER: It is.

19 MEMBER HALNON: So, that's why it's a  
20 missile shield and whatnot to protect it.

21 And the next one down, the column where  
22 diesel fuel is just a one-time inspection, why just a  
23 one-time inspection?

24 Is it just to make sure everything is  
25 installed correctly? Explain why it's just one time.

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1                   MR. MILLER:       Another plant-specific  
2 configuration issue, the fuel chemistry program  
3 primarily deals with loss of material of metallic fuel  
4 tanks. We have recently replaced those fuel tanks  
5 with fiber glass tanks.

6                   So, we took exception to that so instead,  
7 we'll be looking for aging effects associated with  
8 polymer materials as opposed to metallic and because  
9 it's newly installed, we justified the 30 to 40-year  
10 inspection period because it's consistent with initial  
11 license renewal fuel chemistry verifications that were  
12 identified in NUREG 1801.

13                  MEMBER HALNON:       So, that one-time  
14 inspection is down the road a ways?

15                  MR. MILLER: It is. And I should say too  
16 that there's also a component to sampling for water  
17 and sediment.

18                  So, if we do sample and see water and  
19 sediment, there are some corrective actions associated  
20 with that, that would provide assurance that we don't  
21 have microbiological issues in the tank.

22                  MEMBER HALNON: Did you use operating  
23 experience from outside the nuclear industry on that  
24 one? Because I'm sure there's plenty of that for fuel  
25 oil tanks underground.

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1 MR. MILLER: I don't know the answer to  
2 that question. Again, I can get back with you.

3 MEMBER HALNON: I'm just curious if you  
4 limited your operating experience to justify that one-  
5 time inspection to just within the nuclear industry or  
6 if you went outside of that.

7 There's probably a ton of operating  
8 experience outside nuclear that could be used. So, if  
9 you could just go back and let me know what your  
10 sample size was there.

11 MR. MILLER: Sure. So, the first license  
12 renewal aging management programs have been and will  
13 continue to be assessed for AMP effectiveness.

14 As I mentioned before, AMP reviews,  
15 including NEI 1412 effectiveness review have confirmed  
16 implementation of the first license renewal  
17 commitments and performed assessments of inspection  
18 schedules, inspection results, and trending data.

19 And again, any identified gaps were  
20 addressed or included in the corrective action  
21 program.

22 Program owners received periodic training  
23 and are required to complete AMP effectiveness for use  
24 every five years as well as perform systematic  
25 operating experience reviews on an ongoing basis to

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1 inform AMPs and augment AMP effectiveness.

2 As an example of regulatory acceptability  
3 of the Dominion Energy aging management programs, the  
4 IP 71003 Phase 2 NRC inspection identified no findings  
5 or concerns in the fourth quarter of 2017.

6 So, that's all I have for the AMP portion  
7 of the presentation.

8 I noted that we have two outstanding  
9 questions we're going to chase on margin on research  
10 for a heat exchanger and industry operating experience  
11 on the polymer diesel tank.

12 Are there any other questions before I  
13 turn it over Eric Blocher to discuss technical topics?

14 CHAIR SUNSERI: Members, any questions?  
15 Thank you, Keith.

16 MR. BLOCHER: Thank you, Keith and Matt,  
17 and good afternoon. My name is Eric Blocher and I was  
18 the SLR technical lead for the North Anna TL8As at SLR  
19 application development.

20 I will cover the technical topics of  
21 concrete and containment segmentation, reactor  
22 internals, plant-specific TLAAs, reactor vessel  
23 integrity, and reactor vessel support steel.

24 Next slide.

25 Aging management of structural concrete is

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1 accomplished by the aging management programs noted  
2 upon the slide. There have been no loss of license  
3 renewal intended function due to aging since entering  
4 the period of extended operation.

5 Dominion Energy has recently implemented  
6 the EPRI alkali silicate reaction inspection guidance  
7 that was developed in part by members of the SLR team.

8 The guidance uses identification of  
9 leading indicator structures, conduct of augmented  
10 examinations for pattern cracking, section of water  
11 ingress, and identification of structural  
12 misalignment.

13 Plant operating experience has not  
14 identified any indications of ASR for the concrete  
15 structures at North Anna except for pre-cast concrete  
16 poles that support overhead electrical circuits from  
17 the Reserve Station Service Transformers to the  
18 turbine building.

19 There is a design change currently being  
20 implemented that either replaces or refurbishes the  
21 pre-cast concrete poles. After the design change is  
22 implemented, only three pre-cast concrete poles which  
23 are adjacent to the turbine building will remain.

24 The design change will reinforce these  
25 three pre-cast concrete poles with a carbon fiber

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1 polymer wrap, which provides confinement and  
2 strengthening to the poles and will minimize future  
3 ASR-induced expansion.

4 Pre-cast concrete poles were fabricated  
5 offsite and their concrete is not representative of  
6 the concrete used in other site structures.

7 During the SLR review, service for how  
8 Settlement Monitoring Point 28 exceeded 75 percent of  
9 the technical requirements manual total allowable  
10 settlement.

11 The service water expansion joints were  
12 adjusted consistent with technical requirements manual  
13 required actions. Settlement Monitoring Point 28 was  
14 surveyed and new baseline elevations established for  
15 the 4 service water bath house settlement monitoring  
16 points.

17 Expansion joints are still well within  
18 their limits for face-to-face, lateral, and concurrent  
19 movement.

20 North Anna reinforced concrete containment  
21 examinations did not identify any loss of intended  
22 function or any areas requiring code repair based upon  
23 Unit 1 and Unit 2 inspections in the summer of 2016.

24 Unit 1 and Unit 2 concrete containment  
25 inspections are currently in progress.

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1           Recent examinations of the liner to the  
2 concrete slab interface did not identify any relevant  
3 conditions based upon Unit 1 and Unit 2 inspections in  
4 the summer of 2016 and the summer of Unit 1  
5 inspections in the summer of 2021.

6           Examination of the containment liner did  
7 not identify any relevant conditions based upon Unit  
8 1 and 2 inspections in March 2015 and March 2016.

9           Containment concrete biological shield  
10 wall gamma and neutron for radiation remains  
11 conservatively low, GALL SLR radiation exposure levels  
12 through the subsequent period of operation.

13           Aging management of the North Anna  
14 reinforced concrete containments is accomplished by  
15 the aging management programs noted on the slide.

16           Next slide, please.

17           North Anna will manage reactor vessel  
18 internal's primarily expansion and existing  
19 examinations consistent with MRP 227 Rev 1 Alpha  
20 inspection and evaluation guidance that was issued in  
21 December of 2019 and includes NRC safety evaluation  
22 dated April 25, 2019 for the first period of extended  
23 operation.

24           The reactor vessel --

25           CHAIR SUNSERI: Did we lose him?

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1 MEMBER BROWN: He can call back in.

2 MR. BURKHART: Somebody muted him. They  
3 can unmute themselves by hitting star 6. Somebody  
4 muted him and please don't do that again.

5 Somebody disabled your mic, now I just re-  
6 allowed it.

7 Please start.

8 MR. BLOCHER: Okay, I understand we're  
9 back on. So, I believe I left off -- Can you hear me?

10 CHAIR SUNSERI: Yes.

11 MR. BLOCHER: I believe we left off with  
12 a discussion about our program, including the NRC  
13 safety evaluation dated April 25, 2019.

14 The Reactor Vessel Internals Program also  
15 incorporates recent NRC interim staff guidance for  
16 update teaching management criteria for reactor vessel  
17 internal components and PWR that was issued in January  
18 of this year.

19 In addition, the examinations for the 10  
20 SLR reactor vessel internals components noted on the  
21 slide are also incorporated into the PWR Vessel  
22 Internals Programs.

23 With the exception of the control rod  
24 guide tubes and the middle and lower axial weld  
25 examinations, the additional examinations are all

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1 identified in MRP 2018-022 interim SLR guidance, and  
2 are required in part due to where the  
3 radiation-related degradation, that is very  
4 conservatively projected for the subsequent period of  
5 extended operation.

6 In addition to PWR vessel internals  
7 program, the neutron fluence monitoring program  
8 defines and monitors the protected fluence associated  
9 with the reactor vessel internals during the  
10 subsequent period of extended operation and will  
11 supplemental MRP 227 Rev 1 output inspection and  
12 evaluation guidance.

13 Next slide, please. Three plant-specific  
14 TLA technical reports were updated for 80 years and  
15 were recently approved by NRC safety evaluations.

16 These updates demonstrate the value of  
17 Dominion Energy's industry leadership and PWR Owner  
18 Group's participation.

19 PWR OT 17011, non-proprietary approved  
20 Revision 2 confirms the previous initial license  
21 renewal reactor coolant pump fly wheel in the fatigue  
22 crack growth analysis remains appropriate for 80  
23 years.

24 The fatigue crack growth calculation  
25 assumes 6000 cycles of the reactor coolant pumps for

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1 the 80 years of plant life bounds the projected North  
2 Anna cycle count for the reactor coolant pump  
3 operations.

4 ASME Code Case M481 allows the replacement  
5 of volumetric examinations of reactor coolant pump  
6 casings with a fracture and mechanics-based integrity  
7 evaluation supplemented by specific visual  
8 examinations.

9 North Anna reactor coolant pump model 93A  
10 casings are bounded by the evaluations and conclusions  
11 in PWR OG 17033 proprietary approved Revision 1 for  
12 the crack stability analysis and the fatigue crack  
13 growth analysis.

14 Therefore, ASME Code Case M481 is allowed.  
15 PWROG-17033-P-A, Rev 1 projected the reactor vessel  
16 under clad fatigue crack growth analysis associated  
17 with well deposited cladding to 80 years.

18 North Anna confirmed the three TLA action  
19 items identified in the NRC safety evaluation of PWR  
20 OG 17031 noted on the slide will be applicable to 80  
21 years of operation.

22 Next slide, please. North Anna projected  
23 fluence values for a reactor vessel through 80 years  
24 of plant operation or based upon 72 effective full  
25 power years.

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1           This is conservative because the current  
2 fluence projection for 60 years of plant operations is  
3 50.3 effective full power years for Unit 1 and 52.3  
4 effective full power years for Unit 2.

5           It is extended to 80 years using a 100  
6 percent capacity factor for the additional 20 years.  
7 The PWR Owner's Group assisted Dominion in reviewing  
8 the reactor vessel CMTRs for re-baselining the initial  
9 toughness values in accordance with the ASME code and  
10 branch technical position 5.3.

11           The various reactor vessel time limit aging  
12 analysis for pressurized femoral shock, upper shelf  
13 energy, flow temperature over pressure protection, and  
14 heat-up and cool-down curves were then revised through  
15 80 years of plant life using the updated fluence and  
16 material property information.

17           Locations with upper shelf energy values  
18 that have less than 50 pounds of sharp energy have  
19 been assessed through 72 effective full-power years  
20 using the equivalent margin analysis method outlined  
21 in the ASME code.

22           The applicability of existing heat-up and  
23 cool-down curves can be extended to 72 effective full-  
24 power years based upon using updated material property  
25 data and application of the K1C methodology.

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1           The reactor vessel surveillance program will  
2           update the PT limits through the 5059 process at a  
3           later appropriate date.

4           North Anna will use the two aging management  
5           programs which are consistent with GALL to manage  
6           fluence and embrittlement during the subsequent period  
7           of extended operations.

8           Dominion plans to remove and test one  
9           surveillance capsule for each reactor prior to the  
10          subsequent period of extended operation.

11          This leaves four untested capsules remaining  
12          in each unit that are available for a subsequent  
13          period of extended operation fluence monitoring.

14          Next slide, please.

15          MEMBER HALNON: Before you go too far on  
16          that one, this was very good.

17          We just had a presentation not too long ago  
18          about Reg Guide 1.99 Rev 2 which I think you guys  
19          used. That showed some significant deviations at  
20          super high fluences, 10 to the -19 I think in the  
21          upper hood.

22          Where are you guys with your fluence and  
23          what that deviation, that 199, now shows happening?  
24          Are you getting a margin there?

25          MR. BLOCHER: Yes, this is the embrittlement

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1 trend curve and potential impact of ASME code changes  
2 on that. I'd like some assistance from Dr. Beth  
3 Kehler Haluska for that. Beth, are you online?

4 MS. KEHLER HALUSKA: Yes, can you hear me?

5 MEMBER HALNON: Yes, I can hear you.

6 MS. KEHLER HALUSKA: We would see some  
7 changes if the embrittlement trend curve changed.  
8 Towards 80 years you'll start to see those higher  
9 fluences.

10 But North Anna's capsule and reactor vessel  
11 integrity program are designed to ensure that all of  
12 the NRC requirements are implemented and changes are  
13 made as needed.

14 MEMBER HALNON: I guess the point is those  
15 NRC requirements may be changing based on the  
16 revelation of this deviation in the curve at high  
17 fluences. It looks like if you use international data  
18 you'll get a lot better correlations.

19 I guess I was wondering what is the margin  
20 to that magical -- it's not really magical -- at least  
21 today we see that around 10 to the 19 fluence levels,  
22 at 80 years where will these plants be relative to  
23 that point?

24 MS. KEHLER HALUSKA: At 80 years they're  
25 around 7 times 10 to the 19.

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1 MEMBER BALLINGER: This is Ron Ballinger.  
2 You use the words magic numbers I guess but if you  
3 look at Table 4, Tables 4, it gives you all the  
4 fluence in there. Up over the number 6 times 10 to  
5 the 19th, which is when you get significant deviation.

6 MEMBER HALNON: Okay, so it's something to  
7 keep an eye on very closely obviously, then. This  
8 whole study is going in research.

9 MEMBER BALLINGER: In fact, the presentation  
10 that we saw, I believe, if I'm correct, North Anna was  
11 the example that they used.

12 CHAIR SUNSERI: Steve Schultz has a  
13 question. Steve?

14 MR. SCHULTZ: Yes, thank you. Is there any  
15 prospective planning associated with those four  
16 untested capsules in each unit? Have you thought  
17 about that with regards to your long-term fluence  
18 management program?

19 MR. BLOCHER: Well, for surveillance  
20 capsules we're planning on pulling Capsule X in 2025  
21 for Unit 1 and Unit 2 in 2026, and again, that will  
22 satisfy both the current period of extended operation  
23 and the subsequent period of extended operation.

24 And if you project out, I assume that's what  
25 your question is, Steve?

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1 MR. SCHULTZ: Yes.

2 MR. BLOCHER: We'll have Capsule Z some time  
3 in 2036 for Unit 1 and 2032 for Unit 2, 2043 and 2044,  
4 Capsule Y, Unit 1 and Unit 2. And then Capsule T,  
5 2049 for Unit 1, 2047 for Unit 2.

6 And again, those projections would be  
7 dependent on what we see with Capsule X.

8 MR. SCHULTZ: Of course, I appreciate the  
9 tentative schedule, thank you. That helps.

10 MEMBER BALLINGER: According to my records,  
11 you've delayed twice removal of capsules, right?

12 MR. SCHULTZ: Exactly.

13 MR. BLOCHER: Yes. Hearing no more  
14 questions, next slide, please.

15 The next technical topical I will discuss  
16 deals with reactor vessel support steel. Dominion  
17 Energy created this sketch to provide an overview of  
18 reactor vessel support configuration at North Anna.

19 The reactor vessel supports at Surry and  
20 North Anna are similar. The Surry and North Anna  
21 reactor supports are different from reactor vessel  
22 supports used at many other nuclear plants.

23 At North Anna, reactor vessel support is  
24 provided by the neutron shield tank. At some other  
25 plants, reactor vessel support is provided by columns

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1 and candelene (phonetic) ravines.

2 This sketch shows the position of the  
3 reactor vessel and how it is supported by the neutron  
4 shield tank relative to the location of the concrete  
5 biological shield wall.

6 The reactor vessel is located in the center  
7 of the sketch. The position of the core where the  
8 neutrons are generated within the reactor is shown by  
9 the blue and gray stripes. The neutron shield tank is  
10 shown in blue.

11 The tank is about 23 feet high, it split 34  
12 inches, filled with chromated water. The inner and  
13 outer plates are 1.5 inches thick. Next to the  
14 neutron shield tank is the concrete biological shield  
15 wall.

16 The concrete biological shield wall is 4.5  
17 feet thick. One of the purposes of the neutron shield  
18 tank is to provide shielding to protect the concrete  
19 biological shield wall.

20 CHAIR SUNSERI: Eric, this is Matt, let me  
21 interrupt you for a second.

22 I know you're in a challenged audio  
23 configuration there but if the folks in your room  
24 could avoid typing right next to the microphone or  
25 shuffling papers?

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1           It really comes across pretty loud and I'm  
2           having a hard time hearing you.

3           MR. BLOCHER:   Okay, let us know if there's  
4           problems in the future, Matt.  I think we're going to  
5           stop shuffling papers.

6           Okay, the other purpose of the neutron  
7           shield tank is to transmit loads from the reactor  
8           vessel through the supports located under the nozzle  
9           of the reactor vessel to the top of the neutron shield  
10          tank, and then to the lower elevation of containment.

11          There is no vertical loading on the concrete  
12          biological shield wall.  Next slide, please.

13          Now that we have reviewed the general  
14          configuration of the neutron shield tank, I will  
15          discuss the radiation of the reactor vessel support  
16          steel for North Anna.

17          At North Anna the support steel of interest  
18          is the region of the neutron shield tank adjacent to  
19          the reactor core where the neutrons are generated.

20          The radiation of the reactor vessel support  
21          steel was originally assessed in 1986 using fractured  
22          mechanics in preparation for future license renewal  
23          considerations by Stone & Webster under contract from  
24          the Department of Energy, Westinghouse Owner's Group,  
25          EPRI, and Virginia Power.

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1           The original assessment used a Westinghouse  
2           discreet ordinance radiation transport fluence model  
3           for projecting fluence on the neutron shield tank  
4           through 100 years of plant operation, roughly 76.8  
5           effective full power years.

6           To address the radiation of the neutron  
7           shield tank for SLR, a new fracture mechanics  
8           evaluation was performed by Dominion Energy. The new  
9           fracture mechanics evaluation uses load for dead  
10          weight, LOCA, and seismic.

11          Stress intensity formulas for the ASME code  
12          that are normally used for developing heat-up and  
13          cool-down limit curves for operation of the reactor  
14          vessel, and an infinite amount of fluence based on the  
15          use of the lower K1C curve, which is 33.2 KSI square  
16          root inches.

17          The analysis shows that the allowable  
18          critical stress is greater than the stress on the  
19          neutron shield tank, therefore, brittle fracture will  
20          not occur.

21          The future mechanics evaluation is bounding  
22          through the use of the lower K1C curve, 33.2 KSI per  
23          square root inch or NUREG 1509 Section 4.3.4.1. It is  
24          permissible to use K1C instead of K1R when there is  
25          information available for material toughness.

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1           Thus, North Anna fracture mechanics  
2 evaluation and neutron shield tank is both bounding  
3 and conservative. North Anna has four programs for  
4 managing aging of the reactor vessel support steel  
5 during the SLR.

6           The closed treated water system monitors the  
7 corrosion in each refueling outage. A Section 11 IWF  
8 inspection is performed on the nozzle supports every  
9 10 years.

10           The structure is monitoring an external  
11 services monitoring program performance of visual  
12 inspection of the external services of the neutron  
13 shield tank and neutron shield tank support skirt.

14           At this time, I will turn the presentation  
15 over to Paul Aiken who will provide summary remarks.

16           MR. AITKEN: Thanks, Eric. I hope you found  
17 the presentation informative and helpful today. I  
18 would just quickly summarize by stating I first want  
19 to commend the NRC staff on their efforts over the  
20 last couple of years.

21           The staff has worked very hard in reviewing  
22 the North Anna application and in conducting the  
23 various public meetings which provided the appropriate  
24 form for stakeholder involvement.

25           I want to emphasize that the Department of

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1 Energy has been engaged and integrated with the work  
2 leading up to SLR issuance through our highly  
3 experienced team.

4 We have been heavily invested along with the  
5 others in the industry over the last couple of years  
6 to ensure that we have the appropriate guidance and  
7 have explored areas for optimization with the NRC  
8 staff.

9 Dominion Energy has developed a high-quality  
10 application for North Anna, has benefitted from the  
11 insights and lessons learned gained from the Surry  
12 application that I mentioned earlier.

13 As Paul Phelps mentioned at the opening,  
14 Dominion Energy will continue to invest in North Anna  
15 Power Station and into the future to ensure the  
16 continued safe and reliable operation for 80 years.

17 So, this ends our prepared remarks. I know  
18 we have a couple of opening questions. I think we can  
19 try to address the research with Willie.

20 MR. LLOYD: Yes, I'm Willie Lloyd, the site  
21 engineering manager at North Anna Power Station.

22 Our USFAR for North Anna assumes a two  
23 percent plugging margin. Our program for heat  
24 exchangers, those calculations assume a one percent  
25 plugging margin is allowable.

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1           For these heat exchangers, each heat  
2           exchanger has 1500 tubes and that results in a 15-tube  
3           plugging margin and then for 2 of those heat  
4           exchangers, 1 on each unit they have 1 plug each.

5           So, programmatically, we have in most heat  
6           exchangers 15 allowable tubes margins for plugging and  
7           for those two heat exchangers I spoke of, there would  
8           be 14 tubes available.

9           And then it would be a double-back for the  
10          ultimate USFAR margin.

11          CHAIR SUNSERI: Very good, that answers my  
12          question, I appreciate it.

13          MR. AITKEN: Okay, I think Keith Miller will  
14          address the question on the tank.

15          MR. MILLER: Yes, I can circle back on the  
16          fuel and storage tanks. So, the short answer is we  
17          didn't look outside of the nuclear industry for OE  
18          related to these types of tanks.

19          But we are very confident in the one-time  
20          inspection for a couple of reasons. First, the tank  
21          was just installed in 2015, so it's basically new.  
22          Also of note is the double-wall tank.

23          I should point out that, and this is in the  
24          justification in the application, the Vermont Yankee  
25          first license renewal safety evaluation report

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1 documented that underground fiberglass diesel fuel  
2 tanks do not have any aging effects requiring  
3 management.

4 So, we're not expecting any aging with these  
5 tanks without having water or microbiological  
6 contamination. And a little bit more on that, we are  
7 sampling for water and sediment quarterly. We do look  
8 for bacteria if water is present and treat with a  
9 biocide if bacteria are present.

10 And also, on the periodicity, the draining  
11 and cleaning between 30 and 40 years of service,  
12 that's consistent with GALL Revision 2 guidance, which  
13 recommended performing those types of inspections  
14 within 10 years of the initial period of extended  
15 operation, which would be that 30 to 40-year window.

16 MEMBER HALNON: Thanks for that. I had  
17 some experience with some polymer tanks and basically,  
18 it wasn't installed correctly and we had some shifting  
19 of the soils and it caused some problems.

20 So, I was just curious, I'm sure the  
21 modification took into account all the different  
22 requirements for soil in protecting from creep and  
23 other things.

24 I never really did get a good feel from the  
25 aging management programs.

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1 I mentioned that it looks like you almost  
2 doubled the amount of programs you had and I was  
3 curious if it caused any excessive burden on any part  
4 of the staff relative to either mechanical,  
5 electrical, INC type of thing.

6 Was it pretty well distributed or did you  
7 have to share some resources with Surry, or add any  
8 resources because of the amount of aging management  
9 programs you had to have or modify?

10 That's probably a question for leadership.

11 MEMBER BROWN: Greg, I think they dropped  
12 off but they're trying to call back in.

13 MEMBER HALNON: I don't know if I can ask  
14 the question again. I'll try to figure it out, see if  
15 I can ask it more succinctly.

16 CHAIR SUNSERI: Well, if they dropped off,  
17 did the public line drop? I don't see it. Oh, wait,  
18 there it is.

19 MEMBER HALNON: We can move on, it's not a  
20 critical question, it's more curiosity, Matt. We can  
21 go ahead and move on.

22 CHAIR SUNSERI: I believe Dominion was  
23 finished with their presentation.

24 MEMBER BROWN: Matt?

25 CHAIR SUNSERI: Yes.

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1 MEMBER BROWN: Can I backtrack for a second?  
2 It's Charlie.

3 CHAIR SUNSERI: Sure, I was going to ask  
4 members if you had anything before we --

5 MEMBER BROWN: I'm ahead of you. Should I  
6 go on?

7 CHAIR SUNSERI: Yes.

8 MEMBER BROWN: Could you backtrack to Slide  
9 -- if I can find it for myself.

10 CHAIR SUNSERI: We're not going to be able  
11 to do that because we lost the applicant.

12 MEMBER BROWN: I can do this without that.  
13 Okay, it doesn't matter. Is the applicant still on at  
14 all?

15 CHAIR SUNSERI: They will be joining again.

16 MEMBER BROWN: Should I wait then because  
17 the question is to them?

18 CHAIR SUNSERI: Okay, if the question is to  
19 them then yes, wait.

20 MR. HOWARD: They are about to be back on  
21 people, hang on. Hang on, Charlie.

22 MEMBER BROWN: That's okay.

23 MR. HOWARD: They should be up now.

24 MR. AITKEN: We're back. Sorry, challenges  
25 of the virtual world, I guess. That ended our

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1 prepared remarks. I think Charlie had a question.

2 MEMBER BROWN: Yes, you talked about  
3 existing GALL lamp programs, a number of them with  
4 enhancements. Looking at the electrical items, I just  
5 had a question on -- I'll just use one as an example.

6 And it applied to I think your Section  
7 B2.1.37, it was on electrical installation of  
8 electrical cables and connections not subject to 10  
9 CFR 5059, environmental qualification requirements.

10 And that's an existing program today and  
11 you're expanding that program. You had about half a  
12 dozen or more enhancements to it.

13 Just an example of the enhancements, which  
14 is where I have the questions, I'll just use an  
15 example instead of all seven of them, like if adding  
16 a description of the testing methodology, should  
17 testing be deemed necessary?

18 That's one item. These during the visual  
19 lead will be addressed through the corrective action  
20 program and another one which comes out says that  
21 verify that test results for the cable are to be  
22 within acceptance criteria as identified in the  
23 procedures.

24 I guess I would have expected all of those  
25 items to be part of the existing program and not have

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1 to be added as enhancements. I was going to ask the  
2 question of the staff but it's really you all's  
3 program so I thought I'd ask that of you.

4 And the last thing you say in each of these  
5 is you will implement the enhanced program within six  
6 months, I think, of the period of extended operation  
7 in the subsequent license period.

8 I guess my question is why aren't those  
9 specific types of items needed today? It gives the  
10 implication that we don't evaluate test results  
11 against acceptance criteria but now you're going to do  
12 it later. I'm not trying to be critical, it's just  
13 that's the way it read.

14 MR. DISOSWAY: This is John Disoway, I'm  
15 responsible for the electrical portion of the  
16 application. So, what we found in looking at this as  
17 well as Surry is that the procedure that was used for  
18 initial license renewal was a type of procedure called  
19 the guidance and reference document, which is not a  
20 level of document, we'll call it a tier of document  
21 that we would now consider acceptable to implement  
22 this kind of program.

23 So, what we're trying to say, which may not  
24 have been worded the best, in here is that we're  
25 replacing that particular type of guidance document

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1 with a procedure, a standard procedure.

2 So, it's a matter of are rewriting the  
3 guidance that was given originally and the guidance  
4 and reference document into a higher-tier procedure.

5 That captures not only what we're already  
6 doing but it also captures the few items that were  
7 more or less an increased focus with subsequent  
8 license renewals.

9 That's really what that's trying to get to.  
10 It's not that we have not done that type of inspection  
11 with that type of analysis in the past, it's just the  
12 type of document we're using procedurally to document  
13 what we're doing.

14 MEMBER BROWN: Okay, so I take it from the  
15 explanation that in fact, if you went back and looked  
16 at what you were doing today explicitly, you're  
17 already into your first license renewal, in fact, you  
18 would be looking at the test results and making sure  
19 they're within the acceptance criteria?

20 It's just that it's not called out the right  
21 way? Is that what you're telling me?

22 MR. DISOSWAY: Let me give you a different  
23 example that maybe is better.

24 A subsequent license renewal being done with  
25 sample size 20 percent, maximum sample of 25 to be

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1 tested, that type of guidance does not exist for  
2 initial license renewals either.

3 So, that's the type of thing we're adding as  
4 we upgrade this procedure. That's what we're saying.

5 In fact, we've done this inspection before  
6 and the things that we found which were minimal were  
7 evaluated and were addressed by engineering  
8 transmittal to accept what was found in the fields  
9 corrected.

10 So, it's not a matter of not evaluating,  
11 it's a matter of how we evaluate it, and the fact that  
12 there are some things that are included in subsequent  
13 license renewals not represented in initial license  
14 renewals that we're putting in.

15 MEMBER BROWN: I guess the staff ought to  
16 amplify that for me so we don't hold things up. If  
17 they can keep that in their knapsacks until we get  
18 there? Is that okay, staff?

19 CHAIR SUNSERI: Yes, that's fine, Charlie,  
20 you'll have to remind him.

21 MEMBER BROWN: I will.

22 I'm not trying to be critical, it's just the  
23 way they were worded made it sound like -- when you  
24 say connection materials, insulation is make sure  
25 they're the acceptance criteria within the boundaries

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1 or the values within the acceptance criteria.

2 It has very specific wording, that's why I  
3 asked the question. I'll finish at that point.

4 CHAIR SUNSERI: Any other members? All  
5 right, thank you for that presentation, very good.  
6 We'll go into the staff presentation right now but  
7 it's 3:17 p.m.

8 Why don't we take a little bit of a break to  
9 allow a transition here? While the staff is getting  
10 their shared screen up and getting ready, the rest of  
11 us will take a break until 3:25 p.m.

12 Is that right? Yes, 3:25 p.m. Eastern time.  
13 We are recessed until 3:25 p.m. Thanks.

14 (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter went  
15 off the record at 3:18 p.m. and resumed at 3:25 p.m.)

16 CHAIR SUNSERI: Okay, it's 3:25 p.m., we  
17 will reconvene the meeting. At this point, we are  
18 ready to hear from the staff and I will turn the floor  
19 over to I believe it's Hector Rodriguez Luccioni.

20 MR. RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI: Yes, good  
21 afternoon, can you hear me?

22 CHAIR SUNSERI: Yes, very well, thank you.

23 MR. RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI: Good afternoon,  
24 Chairman Sunseri and members of the ACRS. My name is  
25 Hector Rodriguez and I go by they, he, and she

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1 pronouns. I am a project manager for the safety  
2 review of subsequent license renewal applications, or  
3 SLRA.

4 We are here today to discuss the NRC  
5 staff's safety review of the North Anna Power Station  
6 SLRA as documented in the safety evaluation report.  
7 Joining me today are Lauren Gibson, chief of the  
8 License Renewal Projects Branch; Jen England, North  
9 Anna's senior resident inspector; and Dr. Allen Hiser,  
10 senior technical advisor for license renewal, Aging  
11 Management Division of New and Renewed Licenses. Also  
12 joining us are members of the technical regional  
13 staff.

14 We will begin today's presentation with an  
15 overview of the safety review of the North Anna SLRA  
16 before moving onto the SER specifically to Section 2,  
17 the scoping and screening review, Section 3, the  
18 management review, Section 4, the time-limited aging  
19 analysis.

20 Then we will hear from Region II on  
21 inspections and plant material conditions before  
22 sharing the conclusions of the different views as  
23 related to the North Anna accelerated review.

24 North Anna Units 1 and 2 were initially  
25 licensed in April 1978 and August 1980 respectively.

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1 In May 2001, the applicant, Virginia Electric and  
2 Power Company, or Dominion, submitted the initial  
3 license renewal application.

4 The initial renewed licenses were issued in  
5 March 2003 extending the expiration dates to April  
6 2038 and August 2040 for Units 1 and 2 respectively.  
7 On August 24, 2020, Dominion submitted an SLRA for  
8 North Anna Units 1 and 2.

9 The application was accepted for review on  
10 October 15, 2020 and the draft safety relation report  
11 was issued on October 18, 2021 with no open  
12 confirmatory items.

13 The North Anna review is the fourth safety  
14 review performed by the staff using the GALL SLR and  
15 SLP SLR guidance since their issuance in 2017.  
16 Between the third and fourth SLR reviews, we  
17 implemented the lessons learned, including  
18 consolidating the previous three audits into single  
19 audit with three parts, an office technical review  
20 audit, onsite audit, and an in-office breakout  
21 session.

22 During the in-office technical review  
23 portion of the audit, the staff reviewed information  
24 presented in the application by specific operations  
25 experience provided by the applicant in the

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1 application, and audit information provided on the  
2 electronic portal.

3 During the next phase of the audit, the  
4 staff developed audit questions that were discussed  
5 with the applicant during the breakout session to  
6 better understand the information provided in the  
7 application and to fill holes in the development of  
8 the safety evaluation report.

9 The onsite audit portion of the audit is  
10 limited to those technical areas that needed further  
11 review following the in-office audit. For North Anna,  
12 no onsite audit was performed through the COVID-19  
13 pandemic.

14 The North Anna Draft SER was issued with no  
15 open or confirmatory items on October 18, 2021 --

16 CHAIR SUNSERI: Hector, can I interrupt you  
17 for a second? I think your slides are off by quite a  
18 few by now. It seems like they're advancing by two  
19 every time. I think you're on Slide 5 right now but  
20 I'm not sure.

21 Are you on the right slide?

22 MR. RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI: No, I'm not, thank  
23 you. Let me go back, I am on Slide 5.

24 CHAIR SUNSERI: Thank you, it helps to keep  
25 up with you so thanks.

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1 MR. RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI: Thank you so much.

2 The North Anna draft SER was issued with no  
3 open or confirmatory items on October 18, 2021.  
4 During the staff in-depth technical review, a total of  
5 47 requests for information were issued.

6 38 requests for additional information and  
7 9 requests for confirmation of information. In the  
8 next few slides, I will present the results of the  
9 staff's safety review as described in the SER.

10 The SER Section 2 described the scoping and  
11 screening of structures and components subject to  
12 aging management review. The staff reviewed the  
13 applicant's scoping and screening methodology,  
14 procedures, and results.

15 The staff also reviewed the various  
16 summaries of the safety-related system structures and  
17 components, the non-safety-related system and  
18 components affecting safety functions, and system  
19 structure and components relied upon to perform  
20 functions in compliance with the Commission's  
21 regulation for fire protection, environmental  
22 qualification, station blackout, anticipated  
23 transience without scram, and pressurized thermal  
24 shock.

25 Based on the review, the results from the

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1 audits and additional information provided by the  
2 applicant, the staff concluded that the scoping and  
3 screening methodology and implementation were  
4 consistent with the criteria of the SRP SLR and  
5 requirements of 10 CFR Part 54.

6 CHAIR SUNSERI: I have a question. You  
7 mentioned because of the pandemic we were not able to  
8 do the, quote, on-site portion of the audit. Did that  
9 have any effect on you?

10 Was there any compensatory action --

11 (Simultaneous speaking.)

12 CHAIR SUNSERI: -- in the resident inspector  
13 photographs? Can you walk me through that a little  
14 bit?

15 MR. RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI: That's correct, the  
16 staff actually work with an applicant by virtually  
17 getting pictures and videos and anything that was  
18 requested. It was uploaded to the e-portal and that  
19 way they were able to continue the review.

20 CHAIR SUNSERI: So, you were able to  
21 complete the audit then with some, I'll call it,  
22 visualization of the material conditions of the  
23 station?

24 MR. RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI: Correct.

25 CHAIR SUNSERI: Thank you.

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1           MEMBER BALLINGER: This is Ron Ballinger.  
2           To follow up on that, what you said was, at least what  
3           I thought I heard was, that normally what happens is  
4           you do an onsite audit and then based on the results  
5           of the onsite audit, you do the next step I guess.

6           I'm wondering whether or not not being able  
7           to do the onsite audit may have resulted in missing  
8           something, is that possible?

9           MR. RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI: The three onsite  
10          audits for the technical review in the office that  
11          everybody does, based on that technical review in the  
12          office, which is the first step of the audit, the  
13          technical staff make a decision if they need these  
14          onsite audits.

15          Not every single technical staff requires to  
16          do an onsite audit. It depends on what they looked at  
17          in the application and if they need or require  
18          additional information to continue their review.

19          And then the next step is breakout questions  
20          and breakout sessions, and the breakout session  
21          questions may be based on the initial review that they  
22          did or additional information that they need after  
23          they do the onsite audit.

24          But the onsite audit does not need to have  
25          it unless the technical staff need it.

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1 MEMBER BALLINGER: Thank you.

2 MEMBER HALNON: Typically, isn't the scoping  
3 and screening results a comprehensive walk-down of the  
4 plant done to make sure the scoping was done  
5 appropriately, non-pandemic?

6 MR. RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI: Lauren, there was  
7 an echo.

8 MS. GIBSON: Yes, we just switched with the  
9 method of me getting on. This is Lauren Gibson, I'm  
10 the Branch Chief. There are different procedures for  
11 the initial license renewal than there are for the  
12 subsequent license renewal.

13 And so that type of walk-down may have been  
14 part of the initial but it's not part of the  
15 subsequent license renewal right now.

16 MEMBER HALNON: That makes sense. This is  
17 my first experience with subsequent so, yes, I'm kind  
18 of going off a little bit of the first license renewal  
19 knowledge.

20 So, I guess there would be a delta analysis  
21 on first versus subsequent license renewal to see if  
22 anything additional is added. I'm making that  
23 assumption but that would trigger me to at least ask  
24 questions, I think.

25 MS. GIBSON: We do usually review the whole

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1 thing as an application as a whole, not just delta  
2 from what was in the initial one.

3 MEMBER HALNON: All right, thanks.

4 MR. RODRIGUEZ-LUCCIONI: Any additional  
5 question before I continue?

6 So SER Section 3 and it's subsections cover  
7 the staff's review of the applicant's program for  
8 managing the effects of aging in accordance with 10  
9 CFR 54.2183.

10 Section 3.1 through 3.6 include the aging  
11 management review or AMR items in each of the general  
12 system areas within the scope of subsequent license  
13 renewal as shown on this slide.

14 For a given aging management review item,  
15 the staff reviewed the item in accordance with the  
16 criteria of the SRP SLR to determine whether it is  
17 consistent with the GALL SLR.

18 For AMR items not consistent with the GALL  
19 SLR, the staff reviewed the applicant's evaluation to  
20 determine whether the applicant has demonstrated that  
21 there is reasonable assurance that the effects of  
22 aging will be adequately managed so that the intended  
23 functions will be maintained, consistent with the  
24 current licensing basis for the subsequent period of  
25 extended operation.

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1           Based on the review, the results from the  
2           audits, and additional information provided by the  
3           applicant, the staff concluded that the applicant's  
4           aging management review activities and results were  
5           consistent with the criteria of SRP SLR and the  
6           requirements of 10 CFR Part 54.

7           The SLRA describes a total of 48 AMPs, 7 new  
8           and 41 existing. The slide identified the applicant's  
9           original disposition of these AMPs as stated in the  
10          SLRA in the left column and the final disposition, as  
11          documented in the SER in the right column.

12          All of the AMPs were evaluated for  
13          consistency with the GALL SLR. As a result of the  
14          review, the staff documented one staff-identified  
15          exemption in the neutral influence monitoring program  
16          in the SER.

17          This accounts for the different and the  
18          existing programs consistent with GALL SLR from 17  
19          consistent in the SLRA to 16 consistent in the SER.  
20          And 24 consistent with enhancements are exemptions to  
21          25 consistent with enhancements and/or exemptions.

22          Also, in preparing for this presentation, we  
23          identified an error in SER Table 3.01. North Anna  
24          aging management programs selective leaching shall be  
25          new and consistent, not new and consistent with

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1 enhancements.

2 Neutron influence moderating should be  
3 existing and consistent with exemptions. The SER  
4 section for selective leaching mentions an enhancement  
5 in the various piping program and this enhancement was  
6 inadvertently translated to Table 3.01.

7 The SER section for neutral influence  
8 monitoring notes that staff identified exceptions. We  
9 will character this in the final SER.

10 Based on the review, the results from the  
11 audits and additional information provided by the  
12 applicant, the staff concluded that the applicant's  
13 aging management program activities and results were  
14 consistent with the criteria of the SRP SLR and  
15 requirements of 10 CFR Part 54.

16 SER Section 4 identifies time-limited aging  
17 analysis or TLAAs. Section 4.1 documents the staff's  
18 evaluation of the applicant's identification of  
19 applicable TLAAs.

20 The staff evaluated the applicant's basis  
21 for identifying those plant-specific or generic  
22 analysis that need to be identified as CLAAs and  
23 determine that the applicant has provided an accurate  
24 list of TLAAs as required by 10 CFR 54.21 C1.

25 Section 4.2 through 4.7 document the staff's

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1 review of the applicable TLAA's for the areas shown on  
2 this slide.

3 Based on the review and the information  
4 provided by the applicant, the staff concludes that  
5 each TLAA is classified, as required by 10 CF 54.21 C1  
6 as either the analysis remains valid for the  
7 subsequent period of extended operation, that analysis  
8 has been projected to the end of the subsequent period  
9 of extended operation, or the effects of aging on the  
10 intended functions will be adequately managed for the  
11 subsequent period of extended operation.

12 Based on the review, the results from the  
13 audits, and additional information provided by the  
14 applicant, the staff concluded that the applicant's  
15 CLAA activities and results were consistent with the  
16 criteria of SLP SLR and the requirements of 10 CFR  
17 Part 54.

18 At this time, I would like to pass it to  
19 Alan Hiser that will discuss specific areas of review.

20 MR. HISER: Thank you, Hector. As Hector  
21 mentioned, my name is Allen Hiser, I'm the senior  
22 Technical advisor for license renewal and aging  
23 Management in the Division of New and Renewed  
24 Licenses.

25 Since the draft SER was issued with no open

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1 or confirmatory items, I will highlight some specific  
2 areas of the review. The first topic identified on  
3 this slide is a plant-specific item that was  
4 identified during the staff's review.

5 The remaining topics were identified in the  
6 Commission's staff requirements memorandum on  
7 subsequent license renewal. This is SRM-SECY-014-  
8 0016, which was issued in August 2014.

9 In the SRM these items were identified as  
10 requiring plant-specific evaluation until generic  
11 resolutions were approved. Next slide. The plant-  
12 specific addresses varied great cast-iron piping in  
13 the fire protection system.

14 This piping had six ruptures prior to 2003  
15 with the root cause identified as cracking due to  
16 cyclic loading that occurred during pump start  
17 testing.

18 The plant changed the test procedures to  
19 limit the pressure transient in the downstream piping  
20 and no ruptures have occurred since 2003. Multiple  
21 inadvertent pump starts have occurred since 2003  
22 without any ruptures occurring.

23 The gray cast iron piping material is also  
24 subject to loss of material due to selective leaching  
25 and the material was identified in Dominion documents

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1 as brittle from impact testing.

2 Next slide, Hector.

3 MEMBER HALNON: This is Greg. Just real  
4 quick, they had some underground leaks other than fire  
5 protection system piping so there's a 2016 fuel oil  
6 leak where the pipes are replaced. Was this extended  
7 condition any concern of you guys when you were  
8 looking at the full gamut of underground piping?

9 MR. HISER: If I could ask Brian Allik. Are  
10 you available, Brian?

11 MR. ALLIK: Yes, this is Brian Allik with  
12 the staff. So, this specific issue on the slide, I  
13 believe that was carbon steel lines that fuel oil  
14 2016, is that correct?

15 MEMBER HALNON: Yes, correct, it was  
16 December of 2016 fuel oil.

17 MR. ALLIK: So, that certainly impacted our  
18 review. That's why we asked questions about cathodic  
19 protection, making sure those buried steel lines are  
20 coded.

21 So, this cyclic loading issue wasn't  
22 pertaining to the gray cast iron that wasn't really  
23 part of the steel review that we did.

24 MEMBER HALNON: So, you chased the other  
25 leaks to your satisfaction then?

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1 MR. ALLIK: Yes, so the difference here was  
2 those are where you would have leaks before you would  
3 have a rupture in the system where you had a brittle  
4 type fracture.

5 So, that's why this issue was flagged in the  
6 acceptance review letter that we issued a month or two  
7 after receiving the application.

8 MEMBER HALNON: I'm done, Ron, go ahead.

9 MEMBER BALLINGER: I was looking at the gray  
10 cast iron leaks and it made me wonder, I'm assuming  
11 you did a root cause analysis, or they did, and if you  
12 get rupture on these things without some kind of other  
13 degradation prior to that, does that tell us the  
14 margin is pretty low?

15 MR. HISER: I think their conclusion for the  
16 root cause was that there was crack growth from the  
17 manufacturing flaws if you will that's in the piping.

18 So, there was additional aging that  
19 ultimately resulted in a rupture when these pressure  
20 spikes occurred from the pump start test.

21 MEMBER BALLINGER: So, it was an initiation  
22 and propagation followed by ruptures?

23 MR. HISER: That's correct.

24 And as indicated on the prior slide, they  
25 have had multiple similar, if you will, pressure

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1 excursions, presumably from inadvertent pump starts  
2 and have had no failures.

3 MEMBER BALLINGER: I think I recall  
4 something about that. Now, the enhancements to the  
5 aging management program, are we satisfied that they  
6 have identified what samples need to be taken where?

7 MR. HISER: Yes, we are.

8 MEMBER BALLINGER: Thank you.

9 MR. HISER: We're on Slide 12. The  
10 applicant provided two enhancements to the buried and  
11 underground piping and tanks program, directed towards  
12 management of selected leaching for Enhancement 5.

13 And then also cracking due to cyclic loading  
14 in Enhancement 6.

15 For these enhancements the applicant  
16 committed to Excavate 6 gray cast iron locations of  
17 each unit in each ten-year operating period beginning  
18 prior to entering the subsequent period of extended  
19 operation.

20 So, a total of three periods under which  
21 they would do these excavations.

22 Five of these excavations will be ten-foot  
23 blanks of piping, the remaining excavation will be  
24 either piping or a component location, for example, a  
25 hydrant location with a focus on identification of

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1 selective leaching in that sixth location.

2 For the piping location, the applicant will  
3 use visual and magnetic particle testing to inspect  
4 for cracking on both the inside diameter and the  
5 outside diameter of the piping.

6 If cracks are identified, the applicant will  
7 perform radiography on a one-foot length to determine  
8 the cause of the cracking. If the cause is from  
9 manufacturing flaws and not an age-related degradation  
10 mechanism, then the results from the inspections will  
11 be documented.

12 If the cracking is identified as due to  
13 aging, then the applicant will perform crack and lost  
14 stability evaluations that will cover through the end  
15 of the subsequent period of extended operation.

16 If these evaluations project a loss of  
17 function of the piping, this finding will be entered  
18 into the applicant's corrective action program for an  
19 evaluation of an extent of condition, an extent of  
20 cause, and to identify any needed follow-on actions.

21 The staff found these enhancements to be  
22 adequate to provide reasonable assurance that the  
23 piping will perform its intended functions during the  
24 subsequent period of extended operation.

25 MEMBER BALLINGER: This is Ron Ballinger

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1 again. I think we're talking about two different  
2 things here. It's one thing to identify areas where  
3 you suspect selective leaching might be occurring and  
4 do that inspection.

5 But if the failures before due to crack  
6 initiation and propagation were due to manufacturing  
7 defects of some kind, then that's pretty random. And  
8 it's hard for me to understand how you would decide  
9 what section of pipe to excavate to deal with those.

10 And then you would have to fall back on  
11 operational parameters that don't result in start/stop  
12 cycles for the pumps.

13 MR. HISER: Their inspections will look at  
14 locations that they believe are potentially  
15 susceptible to the cyclic loading. And I guess from  
16 that perspective, they are out there taking a look at  
17 some of the piping.

18 And just to be clear, they did change their  
19 pump test procedure, and to me that's where the  
20 inadvertent pump starts provide some assurance there  
21 are not conditions that would have led to failure  
22 during the inadvertent pump starts.

23 MEMBER BALLINGER: Thanks.

24 MR. HISER: Next slide, Hector.

25 One of the topics identified in the

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1 Commission's SRM on subsequent license renewal relates  
2 to reactor pressure vessel neutron embrittlement at  
3 high fluence.

4 This topic has two aspects, the adequacy of  
5 the applicant's reactor vessel material surveillance  
6 program, and the disposition of the vessel  
7 embrittlement, time limited aging analyses for the 80-  
8 year operating period.

9 This slide identifies the peak reactor  
10 vessel levels for each unit on the left, which are in  
11 excess of 7 times  $10^{19}$  neutrons per  
12 centimeters squared on the reactor vessel surface.

13 The applicant has identified one capsule at  
14 each unit to assess the RPV embrittlement at the 80-  
15 year fluence levels. As indicated, testing of these  
16 capsules will occur in about the next five years.

17 On the right side of this slide, we plotted  
18 the completed surveillance testing and the planned  
19 testing for North Anna Unit 1. The graph for Unit 2  
20 is nearly identical to this.

21 The axes on this graph are calendar time on  
22 the IKSISA and the neutron fluence on the ordinate.  
23 The blue dashed lines represent the 60-year RPP  
24 fluence and the end of the current 60-year license.

25 The solid green lines represent the same

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1 quantities for 80 years. The solid black data-points  
2 provide the neutron fluence and the test date for the  
3 prior tested capsules.

4 The orange symbols represent the applicant's  
5 change in testing of a capsule to obtain the 80-year  
6 fluence.

7 In this case, the applicant will test the  
8 capsule that is located at a higher neutron flux  
9 location and will acquire data for 80-year fluence  
10 levels earlier than originally planned.

11 Next slide, Hector.

12 MEMBER HALNON: Allen, do you recall the  
13 capacity factor they assumed?

14 MR. HISER: I believe for an 80-year fluence  
15 it was 7280 FPY. It's actually indicated on the slide  
16 on the screen, it's about 90 percent for the entire  
17 80-year operating period. I think as Eric mentioned,  
18 they've assumed more than 100 percent capacity factor  
19 for the 60 to 80-year period.

20 MR. HISER: For the TLAAs, time-limited  
21 aging analyses, certain RPV materials at Unit 2 were  
22 projected to exhibit upper shelf energies below the  
23 50-foot pound limit of Appendix G to 10 CFR Part 50.

24 For all of the RPD materials in both units,  
25 the applicant implemented equivalent margin analyses,

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1 or EMAs, to demonstrate adequate safety margins for  
2 these locations to the end of the subsequent period of  
3 extended operation, consistent with the requirements  
4 of Appendix G to 10 CFR Part 50.

5 Regarding pressurized thermal shock, the  
6 applicant projected the pressurized thermal shock  
7 evaluations to the end of subsequent period of  
8 extended operation and demonstrated all of the RPD  
9 materials meet the screening criteria in 10 CFR 50.61  
10 generally with considerable margin.

11 The applicant has demonstrated that the  
12 upper shelf energy and pressurized thermal shock TLAs  
13 had been projected to the end of the subsequent period  
14 of extended operations in accordance with 10 CFR 54.21  
15 C(1)(ii).

16 Next slide, Hector. There is no staff  
17 approved generic methodology for aging management of  
18 reactor vessel internals for 80 years of operation.

19 The SLR report finds it acceptable for  
20 applicants to use the staff-approved guidance for 60  
21 years and MRP 227 Revision 2 in combination with a gap  
22 analysis to identify appropriate changes in the  
23 inspection program for 80 years of operation.

24 The GALL SLR guidance for PWR reactor  
25 internals has been updated in recent interim staff

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1 guidance, SLR ISG 2021-01-PWRVI, which allows use of  
2 MRP 2018-022 for fluence-related screening of RVI  
3 components.

4 As Hector mentioned, the scope of the  
5 applicant's neutron fluence monitoring AMP is limited  
6 to the monitoring of the neutron fluence exposures of  
7 the reactor pressure vessel materials, which  
8 represented an exception from the GALL SLR AMP, X.M2,  
9 neutron fluence monitoring.

10 For the assessment of neutron fluence  
11 projections for the reactor pressure vessel internals  
12 components at 72 effective full power years, the staff  
13 reviewed the vessel internal neutron fluence exposures  
14 as part of its review of the PWR vessel internals  
15 aging management program and the gap analysis in  
16 Appendix C of the SLRA.

17 From its audited information, the staff  
18 verified that the neutron fluence methodology and the  
19 calculated fluence values for the internal components  
20 are acceptable.

21 The staff also verified that the  
22 component-specific fluence exposures were consistent  
23 with the MRP guidance identified in the ISG-SLR, and  
24 thus acceptable for use in the RVI aging management  
25 program.

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1           Next slide. In this structural area, two  
2 topics were identified for effects of radiation,  
3 specifically for the concrete biological field or CBS  
4 wall, and the reactor vessel steel support assemblies.

5           The latter is principally the neutron shield  
6 tank structural steel and sliding support feet  
7 assemblies. The staff reviewed various applicant  
8 documents, audit activities, and requests for  
9 additional information.

10          Next slide, please. For the CBS wall, the  
11 staff agreed with the applicant that a plant-specific  
12 program was not necessary for several reasons,  
13 principally because the calculated limiting neutron  
14 fluence and the limiting gamma dose on the CBS wall  
15 are below criteria in the SRP-SLI.

16          In addition, the maximum temperature  
17 estimated in the CBS wall concrete including radiation  
18 induced heating is also below the criteria in the SRP  
19 SLR.

20          In lieu of a plant-specific program, the  
21 applicant stated that it will continue to monitor  
22 accessible areas in the CBS wall by visual inspection  
23 on a five-year interval using a structures monitoring  
24 program.

25          Based on this approach, the staff concluded

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1 that the effects of aging due to radiation on the CBS  
2 walls will be adequately managed so that the intended  
3 functions will be maintained, consistent with the CLB  
4 during the subsequent period of extended operation.

5 For the reactor vessel steel supports, the  
6 applicant at the application included a fracture  
7 mechanics evaluation consistent with NUREG 1509 and  
8 concluded that a plant-specific program is not needed.

9 The staff's review of this evaluation  
10 concluded that the fractured mechanics evaluation  
11 adequately addressed the loss of fracture toughness of  
12 the RVE steel supports for the subsequent period of  
13 extended operation.

14 In addition, the staff concluded that other  
15 aging effects for the reactor vessel steel supports  
16 specifically, loss of material and loss of mechanical  
17 function, will be adequately managed by the structures  
18 monitoring, the external surface monitoring of  
19 mechanical components and the closed treated water  
20 system AMPs to provide reasonable assurance that  
21 applicable aging effects will be adequately monitored  
22 and managed during the subsequent period of extended  
23 operation.

24 Next slide, please. Capable qualification  
25 is required in accordance with 10 CFR 50.49 and as a

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1 PLAA for subsequent license renewal.

2 The applicant disposition to TLAA in  
3 accordance with 10 CFR 5421 C(1) (iii) by demonstrating  
4 that the effects of aging on the intended functions  
5 will be adequately managed for the subsequent period  
6 of extended operation.

7 The staff reviewed each U for environmental  
8 components AMP and finds it acceptable to manage the  
9 qualification PLAA because it is consistent with all  
10 SLR AMPs X.E1.

11 For cable condition assessment, in addition  
12 to aging management of electrical installation for in-  
13 scope, inaccessible meeting voltage power cables, the  
14 applicant also proposed aging management for in-scope  
15 and accessible instrumentation and control cables and  
16 low-voltage power cables.

17 The AMPs proposed by the applicant are  
18 condition monitoring AMPs, however, periodic actions  
19 are taken to prevent inaccessible in-scope cables for  
20 being exposed to significant moisture such as  
21 identifying and inspecting conduit ends in cable  
22 manhole vaults for water accumulation and removing the  
23 water as needed.

24 The inspections are performed based on  
25 plant-specific operating experience with cable wetting

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1 or submergence. The periodic inspection occurs at  
2 least annually.

3 Additional inspections for water  
4 accumulation are also performed after event-driven  
5 occurrences such as heavy rain, rapid thawing of ice  
6 and snow, or flooding.

7 staff reviewed these AMPs and finds them  
8 acceptance because they are consistent with the  
9 related GALL SLR AMPs that are indicated in this  
10 slide.

11 Based on its review, the staff concluded  
12 that the applicant has demonstrated that the effects  
13 of aging will be adequately managed so that the  
14 intended functions will be maintained consistent with  
15 the COB for the subsequent period of extended  
16 operation as required by 10 CFR 54.21 A3.

17 Next slide.

18 MEMBER BROWN: Before you shift slides, this  
19 is Charlie again. I asked a question before, did you  
20 hear it or do I have to repeat it?

21 MR. HISER: Actually, if you could repeat it  
22 because we have the electrical reviewer too?

23 MEMBER BROWN: Yes, I want to get your read.  
24 You did a nice job of going through the enhancements  
25 and giving a break-out of what was added to existing

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1 program elements that they have in place today.

2 And I guess I was a little surprised, and  
3 I'm not quite sure I understood their answer all the  
4 way, when I think Enhancement 6 on the D2137, which is  
5 I think if I read it again it's electrical insulation  
6 for electric cables, connections not subject to 10 CFR  
7 50.49.

8 There were seven or eight, seven I think,  
9 enhancements on this one and they had at the  
10 description of the testing methodology in case testing  
11 should be deemed necessary, that was Enhancement 4.

12 Then they added a requirement that if  
13 anomalies are found during visual, they will address  
14 during a corrective action program.

15 I would have expected in the last one I used  
16 in the example was adding a requirement for the test  
17 results when they run insulation resistance or time to  
18 remain or whatever type of testing they're doing.

19 The test results equally over the last 50  
20 years would have been addressed to ensure they were  
21 within acceptance criteria, and yet, they've been  
22 added to this, and its nice that it's written down,  
23 but did you all see that as it wasn't there before or  
24 not? I understand they're consistent with the  
25 generalities in the GALL, as you all stated, but did

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1 you all read that as something they hadn't been doing  
2 before?

3 Or what? Is your electrical guy there?

4 MR. NGUYEN: I cannot check that. My name  
5 is Duc Nguyen, I am the technical review of the  
6 electrical portion. Okay, let's go back to the  
7 history of the GALL, the GALL Version 2, Revision 1,  
8 Revision 2.

9 We did not require the applicant to do the  
10 testing for the interim control cable and a low-  
11 voltage cable. So, they had one pull-down which  
12 includes XIE1 and XIE2 and XIE3.

13 But the XIE3 is only covered intercepted  
14 medium voltage and that program testing was only  
15 there. The testing acceptance criteria is spelled out  
16 in the general document.

17 So, after we issued the GALL revised 3M,  
18 XIE1A, E1B, and E1C, this one, they'll provide  
19 acceptance criteria in the position. And the staff  
20 during the oversight inspection will look at the  
21 procedure.

22 Typically, the acceptance criteria would not  
23 include the end, it would include a specific  
24 procedure. And the procedure according would actually  
25 pay 400, it would spell out what the acceptance

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1 criteria, how often you have to test.

2 So, for medium voltage cable, they have to  
3 do the testing every six years and if they don't miss  
4 the criteria they have to sort the frequency and  
5 eventually, if they don't meet the criteria they have  
6 to replay the cable.

7 So, that's already there. For the low-  
8 voltage cable and internal-controlled cable, initially  
9 they don't have the program because of the GALL  
10 Revision 2, Revision 1, and Revision 3.

11 We don't have that program because the  
12 water-free phenomenon only affected the medium from  
13 the cable. But seeing we issue the generic order, we  
14 found out some examples for low-voltage cable  
15 failures.

16 So, that's why we edit in the subsequent  
17 license renewal but the third license renewal, these  
18 two programs are not there.

19 So, we added subsequent license renewal but  
20 to answer your question, test procedure is always  
21 there in the original engineering program.

22 Does that answer your question?

23 MEMBER BROWN: I'm working on it.

24 I appreciate the little bit of history back  
25 on the original GALL because I know we went through

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1 the existing version of it a little while ago in terms  
2 of what we would do for the subsequent license  
3 renewals.

4 So, you're telling me, if I read you right,  
5 that the GALL before, this expanded what was already  
6 required in the GALL that was approved for SLRs?

7 MR. NGUYEN: Yes.

8 MEMBER BROWN: And we provide more  
9 definition to it. That didn't mean they weren't doing  
10 what they should be doing before, and I presume you  
11 all would have known that if they hadn't, I hope?

12 MR. NGUYEN: Yes.

13 MEMBER BROWN: Let me ask the second. I'll  
14 accept your answer on that. I'm not going to mouse-  
15 milk this one too hard.

16 The other thing they committed to with these  
17 new requirements, they're 18 years away from SLRs  
18 right now, they're quite a while. I think it would be  
19 2038 or so. They said they would be implementing this  
20 within six months prior to the subsequent period of  
21 extended operations. So, we're going to go 17 or 18  
22 years without these, quote, enhancements.

23 And you all deem that okay even though they  
24 needed to add those for the SLR? But it's okay to go  
25 --

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1 MR. NGUYEN: I plan to do the low-voltage  
2 cable and not the concern for the water tree. The  
3 water tree only concerns from the voltage. So, now  
4 this program during the subsequent license renewal,  
5 they still inspect the water. They still inspect the  
6 water in the manhole and remove the water every  
7 quarter.

8 MEMBER BROWN: But I'm now looking at the  
9 medium-voltage one. The medium-voltage one had the  
10 same issues in it.

11 MR. NGUYEN: As they do right now, they  
12 still continue to do now to the subsequent license.  
13 They still do it right now. They have to require to  
14 test and they have to require to remove the water in  
15 the manhole.

16 MR. HISER: Can I jump in for a minute?

17 MR. NGUYEN: Yes.

18 MR. HISER: I think partly what may be going  
19 on is the enhancements are things that are not  
20 identified in their current AMP but it is things they  
21 are doing by plant procedure.

22 So, in order to bring their program as  
23 defined in their program documents up to be consistent  
24 with GALL SLR, they need to take these things that  
25 they are currently doing and identify them

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1 specifically in the GALL SLR AMP.

2 MEMBER BROWN: Thank you, I guess what  
3 you're saying is that they're doing them, they're not  
4 as part of the existing GALL programs they have for  
5 their extended procedure but they are in other  
6 procedures. They're not getting lost, in other words.

7 MR. HISER: That's correct and the applicant  
8 may be able to confirm that.

9 MEMBER BROWN: I'll take your word for it.  
10 You guys know how to look for stuff. You answered my  
11 question. This applied to a number of the different  
12 electrical testing operations. The medium voltage one  
13 was my biggest concern because there were seven  
14 enhancements on that one as well.

15 It's nice to have them explicitly called out  
16 but medium voltage, we've had issues in the past when  
17 we were looking at extensions on how were their  
18 medium-voltage cables addressed and were they  
19 satisfactory? That's what triggered my thought  
20 process based on some of our reviews from several  
21 years ago.

22 MR. HISER: That is a subtle point, that  
23 enhancements may not be things I'm not doing now but  
24 suddenly I'll start to do them, they're just not  
25 within my program definition right now.

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1 MEMBER BROWN: It was just the way it was  
2 worded that was raised and I asked the question.  
3 You've satisfactorily answered my question and I  
4 appreciate that.

5 MR. HISER: Okay.

6 MEMBER BROWN: Thank you very much.

7 MR. NGUYEN: You're welcome.

8 MR. HISER: If we go to the next slide, Jen  
9 England, senior resident inspector at North Anna, will  
10 present retail activities associated with license  
11 renewal. Jen?

12 MS. ENGLAND: Good afternoon. My name is  
13 Jennifer England and I use the pronouns she and her.  
14 I'm the acting senior resident inspector at North  
15 Anna. With me is Kenya Carrington, North Anna  
16 resident inspector; Adam Wilson, our senior project  
17 engineer; and Stu Bailey, our branch chief.

18 We are here to provide Region II's review  
19 and assessment of the implementation of the aging  
20 management programs, material condition, and overall  
21 regulatory assessment of North Anna Units 1 and 2.

22 The license renewal inspection program and  
23 the RLP baseline inspection program are both used to  
24 inspect aging management activities at North Anna.

25 I'll start with the activities performed

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1 under the license renewal inspection program, then  
2 discuss the ROP inspections and follow up with  
3 material condition of the plant.

4 In order to assess the adequacy of the  
5 license renewal program for the initial period of  
6 extended operation, inspection procedure 71003  
7 recommends using a four-phase approach to license  
8 renewal inspections.

9 This slide details the specific license  
10 renewal inspections that have been performed at North  
11 Anna. The Phase 1, 2, and 3 inspections were  
12 performed for both units on the dates listed with no  
13 findings identified.

14 Finally, the Phase 4 inspection, which  
15 typically occurs 5 to 10 years into the period of  
16 extended operation has not been performed at North  
17 Anna as the period of extended operation began in 2018  
18 for Unit 1 and 2020 for Unit 2.

19 Next slide, please.

20 In addition to the inspections mandated by  
21 the license renewal inspection program, inspectors use  
22 several ROP-baseline procedures to evaluate the  
23 implementation of aging management activities.

24 As an example, the baseline inspection of  
25 the in-service inspection program, this inspection is

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1 performed each refueling outage and provides the  
2 inspectors the opportunity to review and assess  
3 inspections credited for aging management.

4 The second example is the HESIC inspection,  
5 which provides the inspectors an opportunity to review  
6 the service water system including heat exchangers,  
7 the service water intake structure, and both above  
8 ground and buried or inaccessible piping and  
9 components.

10 All of these activities are within the scope  
11 of license renewal. Lastly, the design basis assures  
12 inspection or DBAI includes a review of the aging  
13 management activities for the safety structure systems  
14 and component selected.

15 At North Anna, the regional inspectors have  
16 found no violations or findings of greater than green  
17 significance as a result of the inspections performed  
18 using these procedures.

19 Also of note, the tri-annual fire protection  
20 procedure has been updated to review aging management  
21 of this equipment. Next slide, please.

22 MEMBER HALNON: Jen, this is Greg, did you  
23 guys see any trends in their cross-cutting areas?

24 MS. ENGLAND: No, we have not. Currently,  
25 North Anna Units 1 and 2 are in the licensee response

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1 column and have all green findings and performance  
2 indicators.

3 This indicates that the licensee has been  
4 able to effectively identify conditions adverse to  
5 quality and correct them in a timely manner.

6 We did want to highlight some inspection  
7 results that relate to the material condition of the  
8 plant.

9 As mentioned, no findings were identified  
10 during the license renewal program inspections but in  
11 2013, the NRC issued a self-revealing green finding  
12 for the failure to establish and implement appropriate  
13 periodic maintenance for the Charlie 4 capacitor in  
14 the speed era amplifier card, which resulted in a  
15 reactor trip.

16 In 2021, the NRC identified a green finding  
17 and a non-cited violation for inadequate instructions  
18 for handling of aged cables. This procedure did not  
19 identify the allowable end radius for battery cabling.

20 Next slide, please.

21 MEMBER BROWN: Jen, could you go back? Stay  
22 on the existing slide, please. I just had a question.  
23 It's just an understanding question.

24 On the previous slide, if you go back it was  
25 on the 2013, the C4 capacitor that was in the -- what

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1 system or what instrument was that in or do you know?

2 MS. ENGLAND: Yes, it was for the main  
3 turbine, it resulted in a turbine trip and a reactor  
4 trip.

5 MEMBER BROWN: That's not unexpected. I've  
6 been dealing with this stuff in the naval nuclear  
7 program forever, since 1965. Is that now a standard  
8 part of their PMS for this particular capacitor or  
9 inspections?

10 MS. ENGLAND: Yes.

11 MEMBER BROWN: It doesn't bother me, it just  
12 that's kind of a very unique thing to focus in on one  
13 capacitor when I suspect that there's other individual  
14 cases that face different failure modes at various  
15 times with age. And I just wanted to understand it a  
16 little bit better. So, they're replacing that  
17 periodically now because of this?

18 MS. ENGLAND: Yes, that's correct. We  
19 basically wanted to go through and we went back to  
20 pre-2013 just to look for anything related to aging  
21 management and just bring anything we could find to  
22 your attention.

23 MEMBER BROWN: Thanks. Just out of  
24 curiosity, just good information for me since I've not  
25 been in the commercial world that long, only the last

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1 12 years.

2 (Simultaneous speaking.)

3 MEMBER KIRCHNER: Jen, this is Walt  
4 Kirchner. On the last bullet on this slide, was the  
5 inadequate procedure finding -- not finding, but was  
6 that identified because there was a degraded  
7 safety-related cable that was found?

8 Do you see what I mean? Did you have a  
9 plant-related problem that led to determining there  
10 was an inadequate procedure? Was this just a desk  
11 review of procedures that uncovered this issue?

12 MS. CARRINGTON: Jen, I can speak to that.  
13 This is Kenya Carrington, Resident Inspector. So, we  
14 had a design basis assurance inspection this year  
15 performed at North Anna and inspectors performed a  
16 walkdown of various areas of the plant.

17 They reviewed various procedures. So, it  
18 wasn't specifically related to a degraded cable but  
19 the procedure was based on how they handle degraded  
20 safety-related cables, if that answers your question.

21 MEMBER KIRCHNER: Thank you.

22 MS. ENGLAND: I can add a little bit to  
23 that. If they manipulate the cables, they didn't have  
24 criteria to ensure that the bed radius was not  
25 exceeded. And that was what was identified in the

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1 inspection, if that detail helps you at all.

2 MEMBER KIRCHNER: Thank you very much.

3 CHAIR SUNSERI: Steve Schultz has his hand  
4 up. Go ahead, Steve.

5 MR. SCHULTZ: Walter began the discussion.  
6 I presume then that essentially, the corrective action  
7 was identified as part of the inspection finding?

8 MS. CARRINGTON: That would be correct. The  
9 licensee placed this issue or captured this issue into  
10 their corrective action program.

11 MR. SCHULTZ: And resolved the issue?

12 MS. CARRINGTON: That's correct.

13 MR. SCHULTZ: Thank you.

14 MS. ENGLAND: Are there anymore questions?

15 CHAIR SUNSERI: No, please continue, thanks.

16 MS. ENGLAND: Next slide, please. I will  
17 now speak to the material condition of North Anna from  
18 the resident inspector viewpoint. Overall --

19 MS. CARRINGTON: Sorry, Jen, we have another  
20 question. Steve Schultz, do you have a question?

21 MR. SCHULTZ: That was just my question, I'm  
22 just taking my hand down. Thank you.

23 MS. ENGLAND: Overall, the plant that is in  
24 its first period of extended operation, the material  
25 condition is generally acceptable. The licensee has

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1       been successful at completing large, capital  
2       improvement projects that maintain or improve the  
3       material condition of its structured systems and  
4       components.

5               The licensee renewal program inspections did  
6       not identify any substantial weaknesses in the  
7       station's performance in managing the effects of aging  
8       at the site. The inspectors will continue to  
9       inspection and assess the licensee's ability to manage  
10      the effects of aging through the NRC's baseline  
11      inspections. Are there any additional questions?

12             MEMBER BROWN: This is Charlie Brown again.  
13      You say the plant condition is generally acceptable,  
14      that gives a connotation that there's something that's  
15      not generally acceptable.

16             (Simultaneous speaking.)

17             MS. ENGLAND: And it is. We don't generally  
18      bless them off and say it's excellent or something  
19      like that, that's just not --

20             MEMBER BROWN: That part I got. I just  
21      would have not put generally, I just would have said  
22      plant condition is acceptable. Our sailors would have  
23      gotten killed if they said we were sort of okay but  
24      not really.

25             (Simultaneous speaking.)

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1 MEMBER BROWN: It's wordsmithing, that's  
2 all.

3 MS. ENGLAND: Lessons learned. Are there  
4 any other questions? Okay, I would like to hand the  
5 presentation over to Lauren, thank you.

6 MS. GIBSON: This is Lauren. Good  
7 afternoon. Before we get to our final wrap up slide,  
8 I'd like to note that we did receive two different  
9 professional views during the review.

10 They both related to the gray cast iron  
11 piping in the fire protection system. Management has  
12 been working to address the issues.

13 As part of that, we ask the licensee through  
14 an RAI to ensure that their FSAR supplement portion  
15 matches the program description that they've given in  
16 the supplements and previous RAI responses.

17 We received that from the licensee and are  
18 reviewing it. The final SER will address that RAI in  
19 the response. Next slide, please.

20 In conclusion, for the SLRA safety review,  
21 the staff finds the requirements of 10 CFR 54.29A have  
22 been met for the subsequent license renewal of North  
23 Anna Power Station Units 1 and 2.

24 We will now be happy to answer any  
25 additional questions that you may have. Thank you.

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1           MEMBER BALLINGER: This is Ron Ballinger.  
2 I looked at the buried piping thing pretty carefully.  
3 Can you tell us the nature of the differing  
4 professional opinions? Not the detail, I suppose, but  
5 just the nature of them.

6           MS. ENGLAND: No, we can't at this time.  
7 We're still working through the process and the  
8 details on it will be available closer to when the SER  
9 is issued as final. Everything will be documented.

10           Allen, is there anything further that we can  
11 say?

12           MR. HISER: No, just that we're working to  
13 resolve them and at that point, the entire packages  
14 should be made public, I think is the expectation  
15 right now.

16           CHAIR SUNSERI: As I read through the SER,  
17 I saw in this area a lot of what looked like  
18 additional requests for additional information as the  
19 review is conducted. And those RAIs have been  
20 addressed and incorporated into the SE.

21           So, is it fair to say that the technical  
22 aspects of any concerns are incorporated into the  
23 current version of the SC that we reviewed?

24           Can I have the licensee's response?

25           MS. GIBSON: I think it would be fair to say

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1 that there's a differing professional view on whether  
2 or not they have been.

3 MR. HISER: And we do have the FSAR RAI that  
4 went out recently and that the applicant has responded  
5 to. That is a part of our technical review.

6 CHAIR SUNSERI: Very good then.

7 MEMBER BROWN: Matt, when's our full  
8 Committee meeting on this?

9 CHAIR SUNSERI: February 2, 2022.

10 MEMBER BALLINGER: This is Ron again. I  
11 don't know what the exact procedure needs to be, but  
12 is this something that we need to think about delaying  
13 until we have a completed adjudication of the  
14 difference of professional opinions?

15 MS. GIBSON: No, we will have the completed  
16 adjudication of the differing professional view when  
17 the final SER is published to support the ACRS  
18 Subcommittee meeting.

19 MEMBER BROWN: You mean full Committee  
20 meeting?

21 MS. GIBSON: I'm sorry, yes, I mean full  
22 Committee meeting.

23 CHAIR SUNSERI: Which is on track for  
24 February still with the final SE?

25 MS. GIBSON: Yes, and the documentation

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1 related to these views will be made publicly available  
2 to support that meeting.

3 MEMBER BALLINGER: Good, thank you.

4 CHAIR SUNSERI: Good questions. Any other  
5 members' questions?

6 MEMBER KIRCHNER: Just a comment, Matt, this  
7 is Walt. We should go back and look at the other  
8 differing professional views on the same topical area  
9 for another plant.

10 MEMBER BALLINGER: That's the reason I was  
11 making the comments.

12 MEMBER KIRCHNER: I think we just should  
13 revisit what we heard then. It seems to me this is a  
14 very similar issue. Thank you.

15 CHAIR SUNSERI: I have some points that I  
16 think should be included for the full Committee  
17 briefing and I'll characterize how I've got this  
18 covered. But any other questions from members?

19 I would just say this has gotten a lot of  
20 attention here at the end of this meeting. The ACRS  
21 is always appreciative of hearing from individuals  
22 with differing views and it just aids in informing our  
23 own technical perspectives on these topics.

24 It helps us identify whether or not we  
25 missed anything or not. So, we are interested in the

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1 outcome of the review and so as far as the full  
2 Committee goes, I have a couple of recommendations  
3 here.

4 First off, I think for the full Committee  
5 review, we don't need so much emphasis on the process  
6 improvements. Those were interesting and we're always  
7 glad to hear those from the Subcommittee's perspective  
8 and see that progress has really been made on  
9 improving the process and learning from the industry.  
10 We seek to improve our process as well.

11 I don't think there needs to be so much  
12 emphasis at the full Committee because it's not  
13 relevant to the license approval.

14 The grey cast iron pipe, the cyclical  
15 fatigue, I think that would be an area that we would  
16 love to see emphasized in the technical part of the  
17 presentation in addition to the reactor pressure  
18 vessel fluence.

19 Both those topics have been of general  
20 interest to the full Committee outside of subsequent  
21 license renewals. So, just touching on those I think  
22 would be important.

23 And then finally, to get the update on the  
24 outcome of the differing professional view or  
25 assessment or reconciliation. So, those are the

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1 things to be emphasized.

2 Any questions about that?

3 MS. GIBSON: No, but I've gotten written  
4 down in my notes that this is what you'd like.

5 CHAIR SUNSERI: Members, anything else?  
6 Okay, at this point, we would like to open up the  
7 floor to any comments that the general public might  
8 have.

9 So, members of the public listening in, this  
10 is your opportunity to provide a statement or comment.  
11 If you are on a phone, you can unmute using star 6.  
12 If you're in the Teams session, just unmute your phone  
13 on your entry and make your statement.

14 All right, we can close the public line, not  
15 close it, close it figuratively speaking. And I've  
16 offered the same courtesy that any members of staff or  
17 others listening in on the Teams chat as a member of  
18 the public, any comments?

19 All right, well, then I suppose that  
20 concludes are meeting today. I would like to express  
21 appreciation to the Dominion staff.

22 I know it's hard work operating the plants  
23 and this time of year there's a lot of things going  
24 on, so we appreciate the senior staff took such  
25 valuable time and devoted it to this.

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1                   And this activity is certainly useful to us  
2 as we deliberate the application. The staff  
3 presentations were informative and very insightful so  
4 thank you to the staff.

5                   Thank you to our staff for helping make this  
6 virtual call or meeting a success. So, without any  
7 further comments, I will adjourn this meeting. Thank  
8 you, the meeting is adjourned.

9                   (Whereupon, the above-entitled matter went  
10 off the record at 4:30 p.m.)

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# North Anna Power Station

Units 1 and 2

Subsequent License Renewal Application



ACRS Sub-Committee Meeting

December 15, 2021

# Introductions

- Paul Phelps - SLR Director
- Paul Aitken - SLR Manager
- Keith Miller - SLR Technical Lead
- Eric Blocher - SLR Technical Lead
- Craig Heah - SLR Technical Lead

# Agenda

- Station Overview/Performance
- SLR Application Development
- SLR Aging Management Programs
- Technical Topics
- Closing Remarks

# North Anna Power Station



# Station Overview

	Unit 1	Unit 2
Full Power License – 2,775 MW <sub>t</sub>	April 1, 1978 (Operating License Issued)	August 21, 1980 (Operating License Issued)
Independent Spent Fuel Storage Loading (ISFSI)	Pad 1: 1998, Pad 2: 2008, Pad 3: 2021	
4.3% Power Uprate to 2,893 MW <sub>t</sub>	1986	
First License Renewal Approval	2003	
1.6% MUR to 2,940 MW <sub>t</sub>	2010	
Entered Period of Extended Operation	April 1, 2018	August 21, 2020
Current License Expiration	April 1, 2038	August 21, 2040

# Station Overview



# North Anna Performance

➤ North Anna operates on an 18-month refueling frequency

➤ Plant Capacity Factor:

- 2018: U1 – 91.14%      U2 – 101.93%
- 2019: U1 – 94.53%      U2 – 90.38%
- 2020: U1 – 101.7%      U2 – 88.41%

➤ Regulatory Status

- ROP Actions Matrix Column 1
- All ROP Indicators are Green

# Significant Plant Modifications

<b>North Anna Power Station</b>	<b>Unit 1</b>	<b>Unit 2</b>
<b>A/B RSS Transformer Replacement</b>	2021	2021
<b>C RSS Transformer Replacement</b>	2019	2019
<b>Reactor Vessel Upflow Conversion</b>	1996	2018
<b>Buried Fuel Lines Replacement- EDG Transfer Pumps</b>	2017	2017
<b>Reactor Vessel Head Replacement</b>	2003	2003
<b>Main Transformer Replacement</b>	2006	2006
<b>Station Service Transformers Replacement</b>	2010	2010
<b>Main Generator Replacement</b>	2014	2008
<b>Underground Fire Protection Piping Replacement</b>	2012	2012
<b>Fire Detection System Replacement</b>	2021	2012
<b>Service Water Spray Array Piping Replacement</b>	2009	2009
<b>AL-6XN Service Water Charging Piping Replacement</b>	2001	N/A
<b>Service Water Instrument Air Compressor Dryer Replacement</b>	2003	2003
<b>Underground Security Diesel Generator Fuel Oil Supply Tank Replacement</b>	2015	N/A
<b>Flux Thimble Tube Replacements</b>	2016	N/A

# SLR Application Development



# SLR Application Improvement

- Implementation of Lessons Learned from Surry
  - Fewer Than Half the Enhancements
  - More Efficient Review – Half the RAIs
- Improved Consistency with GALL SLR
  - Led Industry/NRC Effort to Identify and Issue ISGs
  - Reduced Number of AMPs with Exceptions
- Review Process Improvement
  - Focus on Minimizing “Multiple-Round” RAIs
  - OE Audit – Integrated with Safety Audit

# Integrated Plant Assessment

Deltas between First License Renewal (FLR) and Subsequent License Renewal (SLR)

➤ Scoping & Screening

- Minimal Differences from FLR (pre-GALL)
- Some updates required to address 10 CFR 54.4(a)(2)
- Followed NUREG-2191 (GALL-SLR) and NUREG-2192 (GALL-SRP)

➤ Aging Management Reviews

- NAPS FLR was pre-GALL, additional aging effects required disposition based on NUREG-2191 (GALL-SLR)

➤ Aging Management Programs

- FLR – 25 AMPs
- SLR – 48 AMPs

# GALL SLR Consistency

- Submittal consistent with GALL-SLR
- High AMR Consistency (99.7% Notes A thru E)
- License Renewal Commitments
  - 48 Aging Management Programs
  - UFSAR Supplement (Appendix A)
  - Managed by the Dominion Commitment Tracking System
- Implementation activities have begun and will continue following issuance of renewed license

# SLR Aging Management Programs



# North Anna SLR AMP Considerations

- NEI involvement, collaboration with EPRI, and PWROG participation informed AMPs with New Industry Guidance, R&D products, and NRC Interim Staff Guidance
  
- Incorporation of operating experience (OE):
  - Industry and plant specific OE reviewed for a 10-year period
  - Reviewed Surry and Industry RAIs for AMP insights
  - Participation in Industry Peer Reviews
  
- AMP Effectiveness Reviews performed on all first license renewal AMPs using elements of NEI 14-12

# First License Renewal AMPs

All First License Renewal (FLR) AMPs will be continued and incorporated into SLR AMPs:

- No FLR AMPs discontinued
- Some FLR AMPs are consistent with GALL-SLR AMPs
- Several FLR AMPs required enhancement for consistency with GALL-SLR AMPs
- Several FLR AMPs subdivided into other GALL-SLR AMPs

Mechanical		Structural
XI.M1 ASME Section XI Inservice Inspections, Subsections IWB, IWC, and IWD	XI.M30 Fuel Oil Chemistry	XI.S1 ASME Section XI, Subsetion IWE
XI.M2 Water Chemistry	XI.M31 Reactor Vessel Material Surveillance	XI.S2 ASME Section XI, Subsetion IWL
XI.M3 Reactor Head Closure Stud Bolting	XI.M32 One-Time Inspection	XI.S3 ASME Section XI, Subsetion IWF
XI.M10 Boric Acid Corrosion	XI.M33 Selective Leaching	XI.S4 10 CFR Part 10, Appendix J
XI.M11B Cracking of Nickel-Alloy Components and Loss of Material Due to Boric Acid-Induced Corrosion in Reactor Coolant Pressure Boundary Components	XI.M35 ASME Code Class 1 Small-Bore Piping	XI.S5 Masonry Walls
XI.M12 Thermal Aging Embrittlement of Cast Austenitic Stainless Steel (CASS)	XI.M36 External Surfaces Monitoring of Mechanical Components	XI.S6 Structures Monitoring
XI.M16A PWR Vessel Internals	XI.M37 Flux Thimble Tube Inspection	XI.S7 Inspection of Water-Control Structures Associated with Nuclear Power Plants
XI.M17 Flow-Accelerated Corrosion	XI.M38 Inspection of Internal Surfaces in Miscellaneous Piping and Ducting Components	XI.S8 Protective Coating Monitoring and Maintenance
XI.M18 Bolting Integrity	XI.M39 Lubricating Oil Analysis	<b>Electrical</b>
XI.M19 Steam Generators	XI.M41 Buried and Underground Piping and Tanks	XI.E1 Electrical Insulated for Electrical Cables and Connections Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49 Environmental Qualification Requirements
XI.M20 Open-Cycle Cooling Water System	XI.M42 Internal Coatings/Linings For In-Scope Piping, Piping Components, Heat Exchangers, and Tanks	XI.E2 Electrical Insulation for Electrical Cables and Connections Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49 Environmental Qualification Requirements Used in Instrumentation Circuits
XI.M21A Closed Treated Water Systems	<b>TLAA</b>	XI.E3A Electrical Insulation for Inaccessible Medium-Voltage Power Cables Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49 Environmental Qualification Requirements
XI.M23 Inspection of Overhead Heavy Load and Light Load (Related to Refueling) Handling Systems	X.M1 Fatigue Monitoring	XI.E3B Electrical Insulation for Inaccessible Instrument and Control Cables Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49 Environmental Qualification Requirements
XI.M24 Compressed Air Monitoring	X.M2 Neutron Fluence Monitoring	XI.E3C Electrical Insulation for Inaccessible Low-Voltage Power Cables Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49 Environmental Qualification Requirements
XI.M26 Fire Protection	X.E1 Environmental Qualification of Electric Components	XI.E4 Metal Enclosed Bus
XI.M27 Fire Water System		XI.E5 Fuse Holders
XI.M29 Outdoor and Large Atmospheric Metallic Storage Tanks		XI.E6 Electrical Cable Connections Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49 Environmental Qualification Requirements
		XI.E7 High Voltage Insulators

# North Anna SLR – 48 GALL-AMPs

	<b>Consistent with GALL-SLR</b>	<b>With Enhancement</b>	<b>With Exception</b>	<b>Exception and Enhancement</b>	<b>Plant Specific</b>
<b>Existing 41</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>New 7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total 48</b>					

# New SLR AMPs

- XI.M32 - One-Time Inspection
- XI.M33 - Selective Leaching
- XI.M35 - ASME Code Class 1 Small Bore Piping
- XI.E3B - Inaccessible Instrument and Control Cables Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49
- XI.E3C - Inaccessible Low-Voltage Power Cables Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49
- XI.E6 - Electrical Cable Connections Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49
- XI.E7 - High Voltage Insulators

# AMPs with Exceptions

- **X.M2 Neutron Fluence Monitoring**
  - Monitoring for changes in fluence values of reactor vessel internal components
- **XI.M3 Reactor Head Closure Stud Bolting**
  - Closure stud yield strength and ultimate tensile strength recommendations
- **XI.M20 Open-Cycle Cooling Water System**
  - Recirc spray heat exchanger test interval
- **XI.M27 Fire Water System**
  - Fire pump suction screen inspection alternative
  - Main drain test frequency of water-based system risers
- **XI.M29 Atmospheric Metallic Storage Tanks**
  - Inspections of caulking at tank/concrete foundation interfaces
  - Emergency Condensate Storage Tanks external surface examination alternative
- **XI.M30 Fuel Oil Chemistry**
  - One Time Inspection of the recently installed polymer diesel fuel oil storage tank
- **XI.M42 Internal Coatings/Linings**
  - Service water inspection sample size, inspection, and re-inspection frequency
  - Inspection frequency for turbine lube oil storage and transfer subsystem

# FLR AMP Effectiveness

- FLR AMPs have been evaluated for AMP effectiveness:
  - AMP reviews conducted in 2016 and 2017
  - AMP review conducted in 2019 using NEI 14-12 guidance
  - FLR commitments have been implemented
  - Assessment of inspection schedules, results and data have been conducted
- Identified gaps have been included in the CAP system as described in Appendix B
- Periodic AMP effectiveness reviews are required to be completed by the program owners every 5 years
- OE is systematically reviewed on an on-going basis
- Training is conducted periodically for program owners
- IP 71003 Phase 2 inspection identified no findings or concerns in 4Q17

# Technical Topics



# Concrete and Containment Degradation

	SLRA Sections Addressing GALL-SLR Recommendations
Concrete and containment degradation	3.5.2.2.1 Pressurized Water Reactor and Boiling Water Reactor Containments 3.5.2.2.2.6 Reduction of Strength and Mechanical Properties of Concrete Due To Irradiation 4.6 Containment Liner Plate, Metal Containments, and Penetrations Fatigue Analysis A1.29 ASME Section XI, Subsection IWE A1.30 ASME Section XI, Subsection IWL A1.32 10CFR Part 50, Appendix J A1.34 Structures Monitoring A1.35 Inspection of Water-Control Structures Associated with Nuclear Power Plants

- Concrete overall is in good condition
  - With exception of the reserve station service transformer concrete poles, no effects of ASR have been identified for NAPS concrete structures
  - During SLRA review, Service Water Valve House SM-28 exceeded 75% of the TRM total allowable settlement. Service water expansion joints were adjusted consistent with TRM required actions. SM-28 was surveyed and new baseline elevations established
  - NAPS concrete structures are managed consistent with GALL-SLR AMPs XI.S2, ASME Section XI, Subsection IWL, XI.S6, Structures Monitoring, and XI.S7, Inspection of Water-Control Structures Associated with Nuclear Power Plants
- The NAPS reinforced concrete Containments are in good condition
  - Recent containment liner - slab interface region examinations did not identify degradation
  - Containment concrete biological shield wall gamma and neutron irradiation remains within conservative radiation exposure levels, through SPEO, consistent with GALL-SLR
  - NAPS will manage each Containment consistent with GALL-SLR AMPs XI.S1, ASME Section XI, Subsection IWE, XI.S2, ASME Section XI, Subsection IWL, and XI.S4, 10CFR Part 50, Appendix J

# Reactor Vessel Internals (RVI)

	SLRA Sections Addressing GALL-SLR Recommendations
Aging management of reactor vessel internals	3.1.2.2.9 Aging Management of PWR Vessel Internals (GAP Analysis) 3.1.2.2.10(2) Loss of Material Due to Wear A1.7 PWR Vessel Internals A2.2 Neutron Fluence Monitoring B2.1.7 PWR Vessel Internals

- NAPS will manage RVI Primary (P), Expansion (E), and Existing (X) examinations consistent with MRP-227, Rev. 1-A and associated NRC Safety Evaluation dated April 25, 2019
- In addition, the following SLR RVI component examinations are also incorporated into the PWR Vessel Internals program:
  - MRP-2018-022:  
 Primary: Clevis Insert Bolts, Clevis Insert Dowels, Thermal Sleeves, Radial Support Key and Clevis Bearing Stellite Wear Surfaces  
 Existing: Fuel Alignment Pins (Malcomized)
  - MRP 2019-009: Middle Axial and Lower Axial Welds (OTI – 50 year)
  - WCAP-17451, Rev 2: CRGT Continuous Section Sheaths and C-Tubes (Expansion)
- NAPS will manage RVI fluence projections consistent with GALL-SLR AMP X.M2, Neutron Fluence Monitoring Program
- NAPS will manage RVI examinations consistent with GALL-SLR AMP XI.M16A, PWR Vessel Internals including recent NRC guidance changes noted in SLR-ISG-2021-01, Updated Aging Management Criteria for Reactor Vessel Internals Components for PWRs.

# Plant Specific TLAAs

	SLRA Sections Addressing GALL-SLR Recommendations
Plant Specific Time Limited Aging Analysis	A3.7.2 Reactor Coolant Pump Flywheel Fatigue Crack Growth Analysis A3.7.6 Reactor Coolant Pump Code Case N-481 A3.7.7 Cracking Associated With Weld Deposited Cracking

The following TLAA topical reports updated for 80 years were recently approved by NRC SE

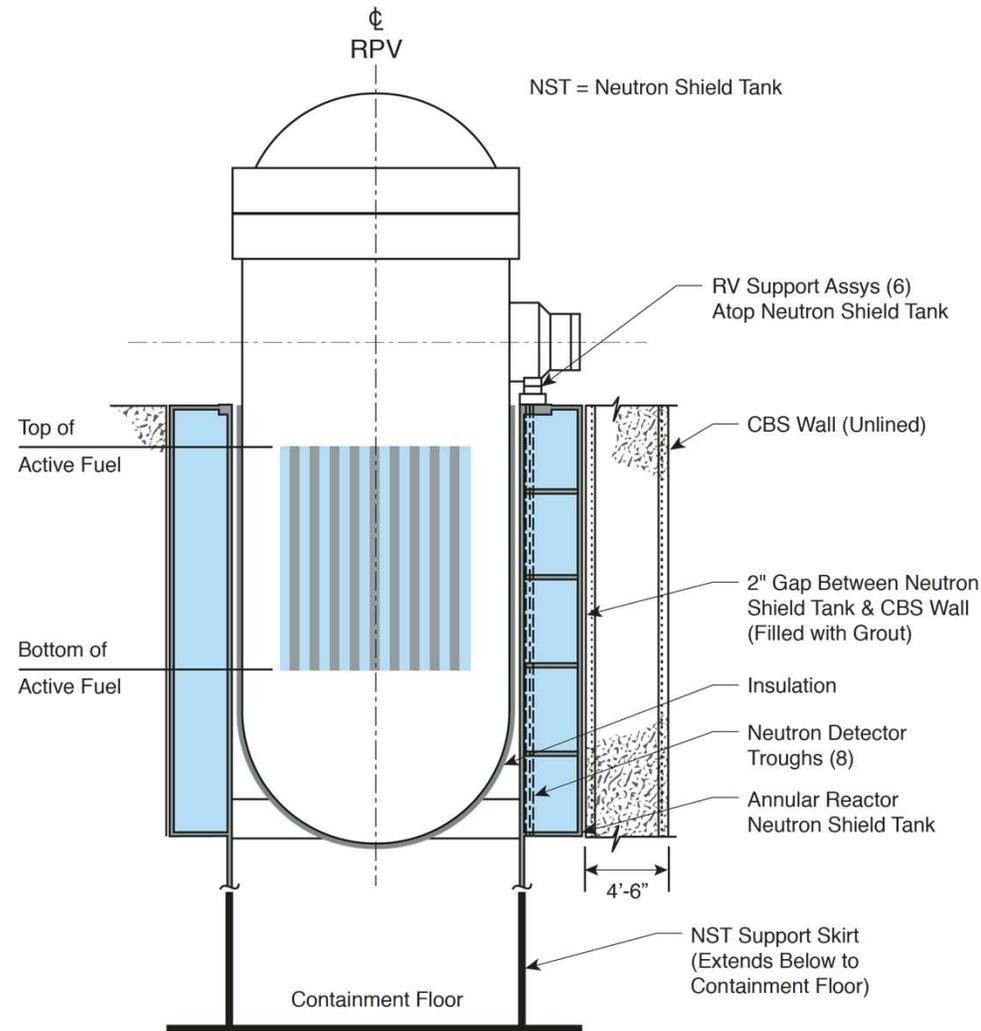
- Reactor coolant pump (RCP) fatigue crack growth analysis (PWROG-17011-NP-A, Rev 2)
  - PWROG-17011-NP-A, Rev 2 confirms the previous analysis remains appropriate for 80 years
  - The fatigue crack growth calculations assumed 6000 cycles of RCP start/stop for 80 years of plant life that bounds the projected NAPS cycle count.
- Fracture mechanics integrity assessment for RCP Code Case N-481 (PWROG-17033-P-A, Rev 1)
  - NAPS RCP model 93A casings are bounded by the evaluations and conclusions in PWROG-17033-P-A, Rev 1 for the crack stability analysis and the fatigue crack growth analysis; therefore, ASME Code Case N-481 is allowed.
- Reactor vessel underclad cracking associated weld deposited cracking (PWROG-17031-NP-A, Rev 1)
  - PWROG-17031-NP-A, Rev 1 projected the reactor vessel underclad fatigue crack growth analysis associated with weld deposited cladding to 80 years.
  - The following TLAA Action Items in the NRC Safety Evaluation were confirmed:
    - NAPS transient types and projected number of transient cycles are bounded by the analysis
    - Limiting RPV beltline forgings meet the 10 CFR 50.61 PTS screening criterion of 270°F
    - NAPS has implemented Leak-Before Break (LBB) analyses for primary loop piping

# Reactor Vessel Embrittlement

	SLRA Sections Addressing GALL-SLR Recommendations
Reactor Pressure Vessel Neutron Embrittlement at High Fluence	3.1.2.2.3 Loss of Fracture Toughness Due to Neutron Irradiation Embrittlement 4.2 Reactor Vessel Neutron Embrittlement Analysisist A1.19 Reactor Vessel Material Surveillance A2.2 Neutron Fluence Monitoring

- Fluence projections through SPEO (72 EFPY) were performed for neutron embrittlement analyses
- Analyses for USE, ART, and P-T Limits for beltline materials have been satisfactorily evaluated using the 72 EFPY fluence projections
- USE analysis with less than 50 ft-lb Charpy USE was projected to the end of the SPEO with Equivalent Margin Analysis
- The applicability of the existing P-T limit curves has been extended to 72 EFPY with the use of updated initial material properties used to calculate ART values and  $K_{IC}$  methodology
- NAPS will manage fluence projections consistent with GALL-SLR AMP X.M2, Neutron Fluence Monitoring Program
- NAPS will manage embrittlement consistent with GALL-SLR AMP XI.M31, Reactor Vessel Material Surveillance Program
  - One capsule will be withdrawn from each unit prior to the SPEO during 2025 and 2026 RFOs
  - Four untested capsules remain in each unit and are available for SPEO fluence monitoring

# Reactor Vessel (RV) Support Steel Configuration



**Reactor Vessel Support Configuration**

# Irradiation of RV Support Steel

	SLRA Sections Addressing GALL-SLR Recommendations
Irradiation of RV Support Steel	3.5.2.2.2.6 Reduction of Strength and Mechanical Properties of Concrete Due To Irradiation A1.12 Closed Treated Water Systems A1.24 External Surface Monitoring of Mechanical Components A1.31 ASME Section XI, subsection IWF A1.34 Structures Monitoring

- Originally assessed in preparation of future license renewal activities by Stone & Webster under contract from DOE, WOG, EPRI, and Virginia Power
- Westinghouse DORT fluence model through 100 years (76.8 EFPY)
- New analysis was performed by Dominion for North Anna SLR
  - Fracture mechanic evaluation (ASME Code formulas for PT Curves)
  - Loads for dead weight, LOCA, and seismic
  - Based on use of lower bound  $K_{Ic}$  value of 33.2 ksi  $\sqrt{\text{in}}$  to represent infinite amount of fluence
  - Critical stress (based on the  $K_{Ic}$  curve) using the lower bound toughness of 33.2 ksi  $\sqrt{\text{in}}$  is greater than the stress on NST
  - Therefore, brittle fracture will not occur
- NAPS will manage aging consistent with:
  - B2.1.12 Closed Treated Water Systems
  - B2.1.24 External Surface Monitoring of Mechanical Components
  - B2.1.31 ASME Section XI, subsection IWF
  - B2.1.34 Structures Monitoring

# Dominion Energy SLR Summary

- North Anna SLR met the expected norms established with the most recent industry LR/SLR applications
- North Anna SLRA was developed using the same highly experienced team used for Surry SLR
- North Anna had a high degree of consistency with GALL-SLR, which resulted in a high quality SLR Application that included lessons learned from Surry's SLRA
- Dominion Energy has committed future investments in people, program enhancements and equipment modifications for the SPEO



**Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards  
Plant License Renewal Subcommittee**

**North Anna Power Station, Units 1 and 2  
Subsequent License Renewal Application (SLRA)  
Safety Evaluation Report (SER)**

December 15, 2021

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# Presentation Outline

- Overview of Safety Review of North Anna SLRA
- SER:
  - Section 2: Scoping and Screening Review
  - Section 3: Aging Management Review
  - Section 4: Time-Limited Aging Analyses
- Specific Areas of Review
- Inspections and Plant Material Conditions
- Conclusion on North Anna SLRA Review

# North Anna, Units 1 & 2: License Renewal

## Initial License Renewal

<b>Unit</b>	<b>Initial License</b>	<b>Initial License Renewal Application</b>	<b>Renewed License</b>	<b>Expiration Date</b>
1	4/1/1978	5/29/2001	3/20/2003	4/1/2038
2	8/21/1980	5/29/2001	3/20/2003	8/21/2040

## Subsequent License Renewal

<b>Application Submitted</b>	8/24/2020
<b>Acceptance Determination</b>	10/15/2020
<b>Draft Safety Evaluation Report with No Open or Confirmatory Items</b>	10/18/2021

# Audits

- Aging Management Audit
  - October 13, 2020 – January 8, 2021
- Three Parts
  - In-Office Technical Review Audit
  - In-Office Breakout Sessions
  - On-Site Audit

# SER Overview

- Draft SER with No Open or Confirmatory Items:  
October 18, 2021
- Requests for Information (total – 47):
  - Request for Additional Information (RAIs)- 38
  - Request for Confirmation of Information (RCIs) - 9



# **SER Section 2**

## Structures and Components Subject to Aging Management Review (AMR)

- Section 2.1 – Scoping and Screening Methodology
- Section 2.2 – Plant Level Scoping Results
- Sections 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 – Scoping and Screening Results

# SER Section 3

## Aging Management Review (AMR)

- 3.0 – Use of the Generic Aging Lessons Learned Report
- 3.1 – Reactor Vessel, Internals, and Reactor Coolant System
- 3.2 – Engineered Safety Features
- 3.3 – Auxiliary Systems
- 3.4 – Steam and Power Conversion Systems
- 3.5 – Containment, Structures and Component Supports
- 3.6 – Electrical and Instrumentation and Control Commodities

# SER Section 3

## 3.0.3 - Aging Management Programs (AMPs)

### SLRA - Original Disposition of AMPs

- 7 new programs
  - 7 consistent
- 41 existing programs
  - 17 consistent
  - 24 consistent with enhancements and/or exceptions

### SER - Final Disposition of AMPs

- 7 new programs
  - 7 consistent
- 41 existing programs
  - 16 consistent
  - 25 consistent with enhancements and/or exceptions

# SER Section 4

## Time-Limited Aging Analyses (TLAAs)

- 4.1 – Identification of TLAAs
- 4.2 – Reactor Vessel and Internals Neutron Embrittlement Analyses
- 4.3 – Metal Fatigue Analyses
- 4.4 – Environmental Qualification of Electric Equipment
- 4.5 – Concrete Containment Tendon Prestress Analysis
- 4.6 – Primary Containment Fatigue Analysis
- 4.7 – Other Plant-Specific TLAAs

# Specific Areas of Review

- Buried Gray Cast Iron Piping
- Reactor Pressure Vessel Neutron Fluence
- Irradiation Effects on Reactor Internals
- Reduction of Strength and Mechanical Properties of Concrete Due to Irradiation
- Electrical Cable Qualification

# Buried Gray Cast Iron Piping in Fire Protection System

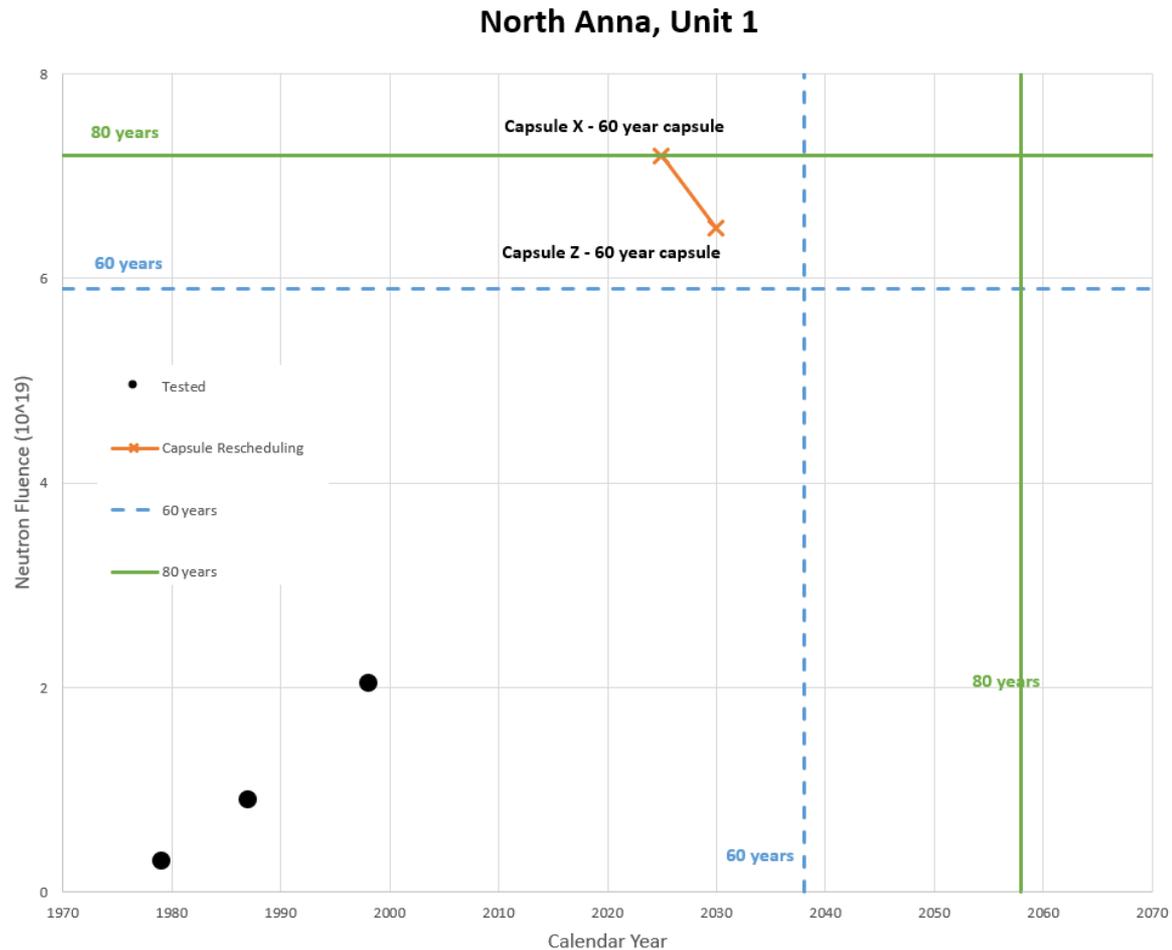
- 6 ruptures prior to 2003
- Identified as cracking due to cyclic loading – during pump start testing
- Changed test procedure in 2003 to limit pressure in downstream piping – no ruptures since then
- Multiple inadvertent pump starts have occurred without failures
- Material is also subject to selective leaching
- Material is brittle

# Buried Gray Cast Iron Piping in Fire Protection System

- Enhancements 5 (for selective leaching) and 6 (for cracking) to the Buried and Underground Piping and Tanks Program
- 6 gray cast iron locations to be excavated each 10 years
  - 5 piping 10-foot lengths and 1 piping or component for Selective Leaching program
  - Visual and magnetic particle to inspect for cracking
  - Radiography on a 1-ft section if cracking is identified, to determine cause
    - If defect is from manufacturing and not aging: document
    - Cracking due to aging will result in crack growth and flaw stability evaluations to end of subsequent PEO
    - Projected loss of function will enter the Corrective Action Program for extent of condition, extent of cause and further follow-on actions

# Reactor Pressure Vessel Neutron Embrittlement

- Unit 1 – 80-year projected peak neutron fluence of  $7.20 \times 10^{19}$  n/cm<sup>2</sup> (E>1.0 MeV)
  - Capsule X achieves 80-year projected peak neutron fluence at approximately 39.1 EFPY (~2025)
- Unit 2 – 80-year projected peak neutron fluence of  $7.34 \times 10^{19}$  n/cm<sup>2</sup> (E>1.0 MeV)
  - Capsule X achieves 80-year projected peak neutron fluence at approximately 39.3 EFPY (~2026)



# Reactor Pressure Vessel Neutron Embrittlement

- Upper Shelf Energy (USE)
  - Limiting USE value at 72 EFPY
    - 50.0 ft-lbs for the Unit 1 Inlet Nozzle Forging 11
    - 48.2 ft-lbs for the Unit 2 Intermediate Shell Forging 04
  - Applicant conservatively performed equivalent margin analysis (EMA) for:
    - Upper and Intermediate Shell Forgings
    - Inlet and Outlet Nozzle Forgings and Welds
  - Analyses have been projected to be no less than 50 ft-lbs or EMA demonstrated lower values of Charpy USE will provide margins of safety against fracture to the end of the SPEO
- Pressurized Thermal Shock (PTS)
  - Limiting  $RT_{PTS}$  value for base metal or longitudinal weld materials at 72 EFPY
    - 212.2° F - Unit 2 Lower Shell Forging 03
  - Limiting  $RT_{PTS}$  value for circumferentially oriented welds at 72 EFPY
    - 136.3° F - Unit 1 Intermediate to Lower Shell Circumferential Weld Heat # 25531
  - PTS analyses have been projected to be below screening criteria in 10 CFR 50.61 at the end of the SPEO

# Reactor Vessel Internals Neutron Fluence

- Review Basis: The staff reviewed the 80-year neutron fluence values for the reactor vessel internals (RVI) components as part of the staff review of the RVI gap analysis that was included as part of SLRA AMP B2.1.7, PWR Vessel Internals.
- Staff Verification: The staff verified that the 80-year neutron fluence values for the RVI components were within the MRP-2018-022 neutron fluence ranges for the components at 72 EPFY.
- Reasonable Assurance: The staff determined that the 80-year neutron fluence values for the RVI components are appropriately accounted for in the applicant's gap analysis-adjusted PWR Vessel Internals Program.

# Reduction of Strength and Mechanical Properties of Concrete Due to Irradiation

- Review Basis: The staff reviewed Dominion’s further evaluation of “Reduction of Strength and Mechanical Properties of Concrete Due to Irradiation” of the concrete biological shield (CBS) wall and the reactor vessel (RV) steel support assemblies (SSAs).
- Staff Verification: Through review of documentation, audit activities, and requests for additional information, the staff reviewed and evaluated the aging management reviews (AMRs) of CBS wall and RV SSAs.

# Reduction of Strength and Mechanical Properties of Concrete Due to Irradiation (cont.)

- Reasonable Assurance:

For the CBS wall, the staff concludes that:

- A plant-specific AMP is not required to manage aging effects due to irradiation.
- Dominion Energy has demonstrated that the effects of aging due to radiation for Units 1 and 2 CBS walls will be adequately managed so that their intended function(s) will be maintained consistent with the CLB during the subsequent period of extended operation, as required by 10 CFR 54.21(a)(3).

- For the RV SSAs (including Neutron Shield Tanks –NSTs), the staff concludes that:

- Dominion Energy adequately assessed through fracture mechanics evaluations that a plant specific program is not needed to manage the effects of aging due to radiation (loss of fracture toughness, loss of function due to irradiation embrittlement) for Units 1 and 2 RV SSAs.
- Dominion Energy has demonstrated that the effects of aging for the RV SSAs will be adequately managed so that their intended function(s) will be maintained consistent with the CLB during the period of extended operation, as required by 10 CFR 54.21(a)(3).

# Electrical Cable Qualification and Condition Assessment

- Review Basis:
- Cable qualification is required per 10 CFR 50.49.
  - For license renewal, cable qualification is a TLAA.
  - The applicant dispositioned the TLAA in accordance with 10 CFR 54.21c(1)(iii).
  - Environmental qualification (EQ) of electric component aging management program (AMP) consistent with GALL-SLR AMP X.E1.
- For cable condition assessment, the applicant proposed aging management consistent with:
  - XI.E3A, Electrical Insulation for Inaccessible Medium Voltage Power Cables Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49 Environmental Qualification Requirements
  - XI.E3B, Electrical Insulation for Inaccessible Instrument and Control Cables Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49 Environmental Qualification
  - XI.E3C, Electrical Insulation for Inaccessible Low Voltage Power Cables Not Subject to 10 CFR 50.49 Environmental Qualification Requirements
- Staff Verification: Through review of documentation, audit activities, and requests for additional information, the staff verified that the electrical cables will be age managed by AMPs that address the 10 program elements described in the GALL-SLR report.
- Reasonable Assurance: The staff determined that Dominion Energy has demonstrated that the effects of aging will be adequately managed, so that the intended function(s) will be maintained consistent with the CLB for the subsequent period of extended operation, as required by 10 CFR 54.21(a)(3).

# Region II AMP Inspections

## License Renewal Inspection Program for Initial Period of Extended Operations

<b>Inspection</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Results</b>
U1 & U2 IP 71003 Phase 1	September 19-22, 2016 ML16306A189	No Findings
U1 & U2 IP 71003 Phase 2	Nov 27-Dec 15, 2017 ML18029A029	No Findings
U1 & U2 IP 71003 Phase 3	March 11-15, 2019 ML19134A146	No Findings
U1 & U2 IP71003 Phase 4	TBD	

## Region II: AMP Inspections ROP Baseline Inspections

Inspection	Date	Aging Management Program
IP71111.08 ISI	Annually alternate units	Augmented Inspection Activities Boric Acid Corrosion Surveillance ISI Program – Component and Component Support Inspections ISI Program – Containment Inspections ISI Program – Reactor Vessel Reactor Vessel Internals Inspection Steam Generator Inspections
IP71111.07T Heat Sink	2006, 2008, 2011, 2014, 2017, 2020	Service Water System Inspections
IP71111.21M DBAI	4Q 2018 4Q 2021	Ensure the selected SSCs that are subject (operating in the post-40-year licensing period) to aging management review pursuant to 10 CFR Part 54 are being managed for aging in accordance with appropriate aging management programs.
<u>IP71152 PI&amp;R Sample</u> Age-related capacitor degradation resulted in a reactor trip	2Q 2018	Preventive Maintenance Program

## **Region II AMP Inspections**

### **Resident Inspector Insight and Inspection Results**

- No findings from License Renewal Program inspections
- 2013: Green finding for the failure to failure to establish and implement appropriate periodic preventive maintenance for replacement frequency of the C4 capacitor on the Speed Error Amplifier card B (1A08D). The C4 capacitor failed due to age related degradation. (FIN 05000339/2013007-01)
- 2021: Green NCV for an inadequate procedure for handling age degraded safety related cable. (NCV 05000338,05000339/2021010-03)

## **Region II: Plant Material Condition + Conclusion**

- Plant material condition is generally acceptable and meets regulatory requirements for systems, structures, and components.
- The inspectors found that the AMPs were being implemented in accordance with the license condition.
- The NRC will continue to monitor AMPs using the baseline Reactor Oversight Process.

# SLRA Review Conclusion

Two differing professional views were provided during the review and concurrence process regarding the buried gray cast iron piping in fire protection system:

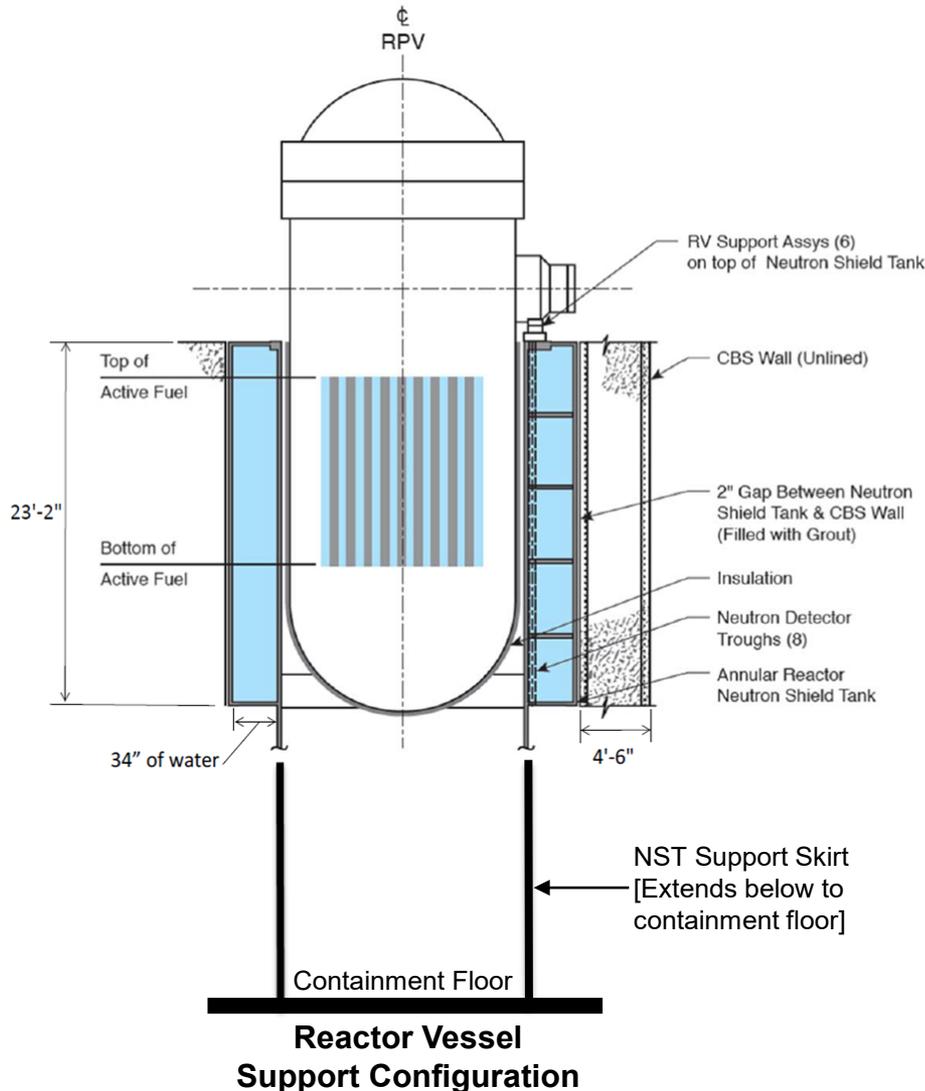
- Management has been working to address the issues identified.
- On December 6, 2021, Dominion provided a response to the staff's request for additional information (RAI) to ensure that the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) supplement submitted on the docket matches the program as described in the supplements and RAI responses. The final safety evaluation will address the RAI and response.

# **SLRA Review Conclusion – cont.**

On the basis of its review of the SLRA, the staff determined that the requirements of 10 CFR 54.29(a) have been met for the subsequent license renewal of North Anna Power Station, Units 1 and 2.

# Backup Slides

# Irradiation Effects on Concrete Biological Shield Wall



NST = Neutron Shield Tank

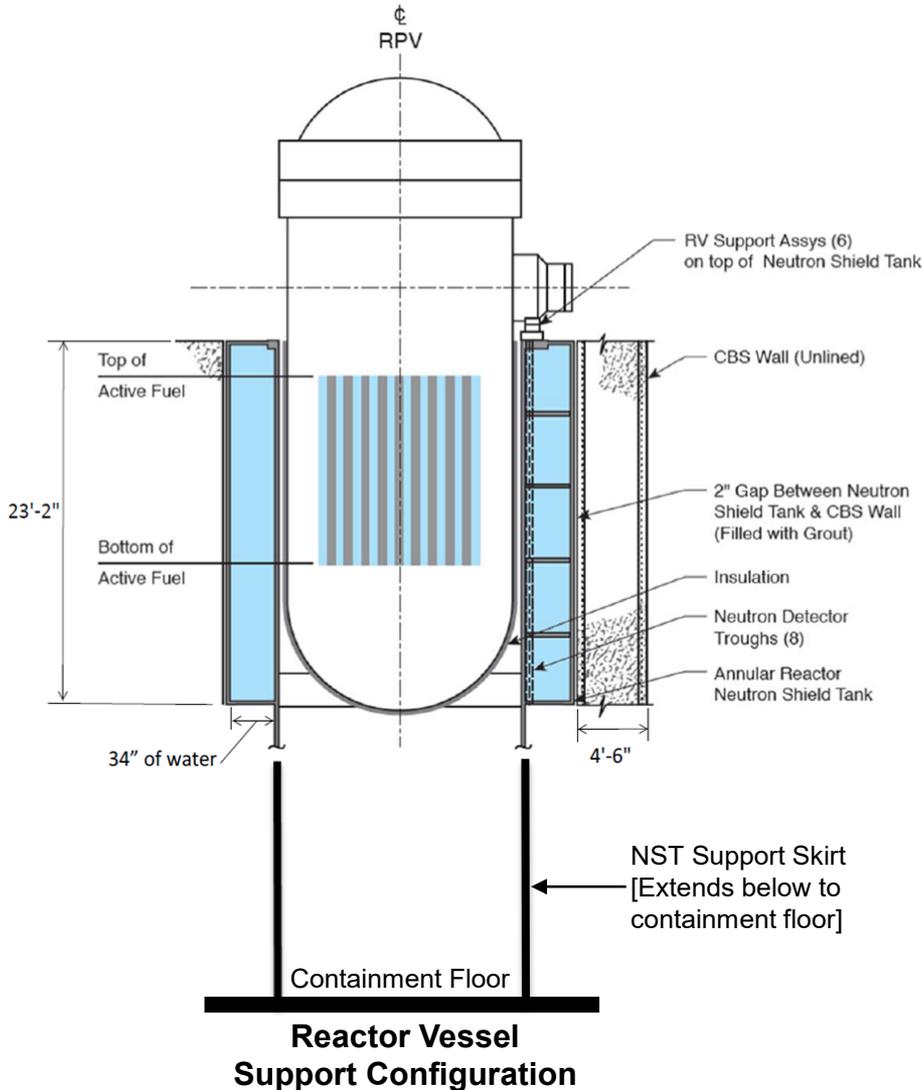
SRP-SLR 3.5.2.2.2.6 criteria for concrete is met and Dominion's determination that a plant-specific AMP is not required is acceptable:

- Calculated neutron fluence ( $3.15 \times 10^{18} \text{ n/cm}^2$ ) and gamma dose ( $2.93 \times 10^8 \text{ rad}$ ) at limiting locations for 72 Effective Full Power Years [EFPY] are below respective SRP-SLR thresholds ( $1 \times 10^{19} \text{ n/cm}^2$  and  $1 \times 10^{10} \text{ rad}$ ) for potential degradation
- No plant-specific operating experience of irradiation degradation noted to date
- Accessible portions of wall will continue to be visually inspected by the Structures Monitoring Program

# Irradiation Effects on Reactor Vessel (RV) Steel Supports

The loss of fracture toughness due to irradiation embrittlement is an aging effect that does not require management:

- NST fluence and fracture mechanics evaluation demonstrated the aging effect will not occur and structural integrity will be maintained during subsequent period of extended operation
- No plant-specific operating experience of the aging effect identified to date
- Susceptible aging effects (loss of material / mechanical function) of RV Support Sliding Feet Assemblies (above NST) managed by *ASME Section XI, Subsection IWF AMP*
- Susceptible aging effects (loss of material / support function) of NST managed by *Structures Monitoring, and Closed Treated Water Systems AMPs*



NST = Neutron Shield Tank