

ENCLOSURE 2

M220141

2022 Technology Update Presentation

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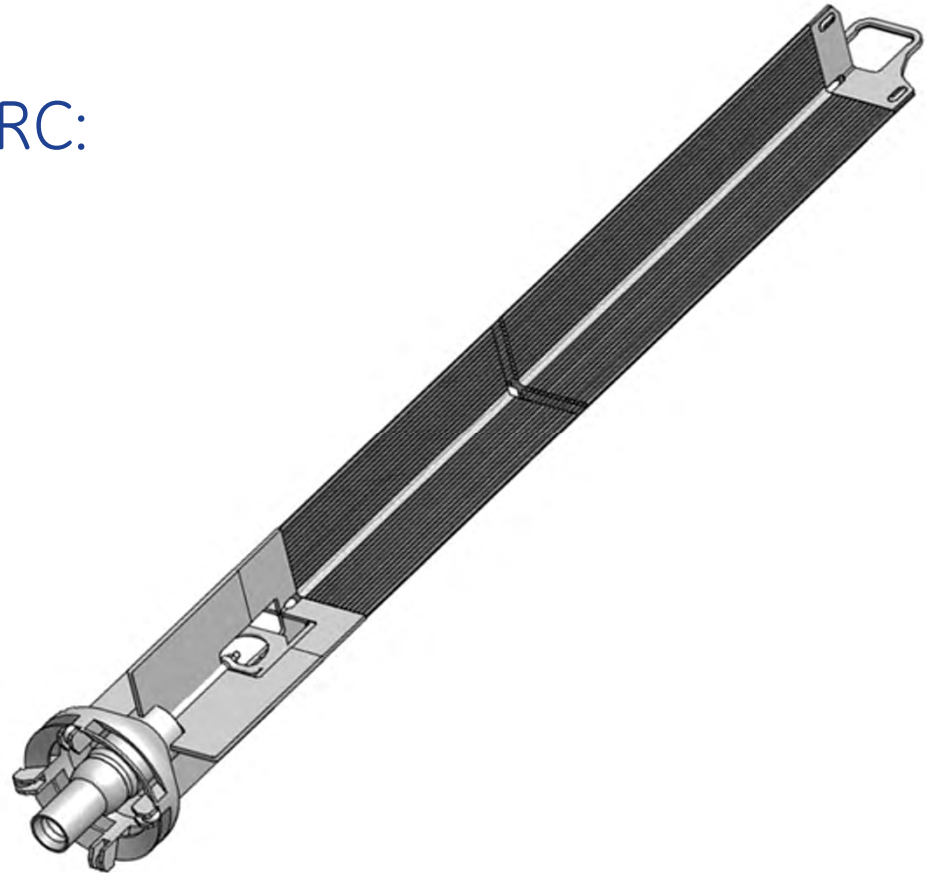
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Control Rods

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Product Line Overview

Marathon (1991 – 2014)

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- NEDE-31758P-A, 1991
- Lifetime reductions in 2011 ([[]]) and 2022 ([[]]) due to observed cracks.
- Continue to perform visual inspections to confirm lifetime limits.

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Ultra MD (2009 – present)

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- NEDE-33284P-A Rev. 2, 2009
- Perform visual inspections of lead depletion control rods.
- Zero cracks observed to date.

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Ultra HD (2012 – present)

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- NEDE-33284 Suppl. 1P-A Rev. 1, 2012
- Perform visual inspections of lead depletion control rods.
- Zero cracks observed to date.

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Marathon-C+ Inspection

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SC 22-02 – Timeline

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Marathon and Ultra Control Rod Design Comparison

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Ultra Surveillance Requirements

Ultra MD: NEDE-33284P-A Rev. 2 Safety Evaluation

- Inspect 2 lead depletion control rods.
- Inspect 2 lead depletion control rods of opposite lattice, once they have exceeded 75% of NEOL.
- Inspect 12 control rods of each lattice type upon end of life discharge.

Ultra HD: NEDE-33284 Suppl. 1P-A Rev. 1 Safety Evaluation

- Inspect 2 lead depletion control rods once they have exceeded 75% of NEOL.
- Inspect 2 lead depletion control rods of opposite lattice, once they have exceeded 90% of NEOL.
- Inspect 12 control rods of each lattice type upon end of life discharge.

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Ultra MD Visual Inspection Data

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Plant M-B Ultra MD Inspection

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Ultra MD Surveillance Summary

Ref: NEDE-33284P-A Rev. 2 Safety Evaluation

- Inspect 2 lead depletion control rods.
 - ✓ Plant M-B has the lead depletion Ultra MDs, inspected in fall 2019 and planned for fall 2021.
- Inspect 2 lead depletion control rods of opposite lattice, once they have exceeded 75% of NEOL.
 - ✓ Performed opposite lattice inspection at [[]] of NEOL, ahead of 75% NEOL requirement.
- Inspect 12 control rods of each lattice type upon end-of-life discharge.
 - ✓ Total 6 D/S lattice Ultra MDs permanently discharged and inspected to date (3 at Plant M-A, 3 at Plant M-B).

**No observed cracks to date
on Ultra MD control rods.**



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Ultra HD Visual Inspection Data

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Ultra HD Surveillance Summary

Ref: NEDE-33284 Suppl. 1P-A Rev. 1 Safety Evaluation

- Inspect 2 lead depletion control rods once they have exceeded 75% of NEOL.
 - ✓ Lead depletion control rods are being inspected at multiple plants, far earlier than 75% NEOL requirement.
- Inspect 2 lead depletion control rods of opposite lattice, once they have exceeded 90% of NEOL.
 - ✓ Inspections to date are D/S lattice. C lattice Ultra HD at Plant V will become the lead depletion units, and be inspected in spring 2022.
- Inspect 12 control rods of each lattice type upon end-of-life discharge.
 - ✓ 7 D/S Lattice Ultra HD control rods have been permanently discharged and inspected (4 Plant O, 3 Plant U).



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**No observed cracks to date
on Ultra HD control rods.**

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Proposed Approach to FFRD

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HBU Technical Risks for LOCA/ECCS Performance



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Addressing the Important Phenomena of FFRD



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Fine Fragmentation Threshold

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Transient Fission Gas Release

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- Transient FGR in the RIL figures is based on terminal temperature of ~1200°C, well above HBU BWR fuel temperatures

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Transient Fission Gas Release Model

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GNF is developing a tFGR model to account for [[

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Proposed Approach to FFRD – High Level



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Proposed FFRD Evaluation Steps



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INT Break, Fuel temperatures, Nominal 55 GWD/MTU

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INT Break, Fuel temperatures, Nominal 63.5 GWD/MTU

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INT Break, Fuel temperatures, Nominal 77 GWD/MTU

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TRACG Results – Large Break



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TRACG Results – Intermediate Break (0.3154 ft²)



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TRACG Results – Small Break (0.1067 ft²)



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Rim region fuel temperatures, Nominal 57.5 GWD/MTU

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SAFER Results

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tFGR LOCA Sensitivity Studies Summary



SAFER and TRACG analyses performed studying the effects of tFGR on susceptibility of burst at higher exposures.

Key conclusions:

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Conclusions

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BWRX300

Chimney Characteristics and Analyses

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BWRX Natural Circulation Phenomena

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Relative Pressure Distribution in BWRX RPV

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Steady State Flows & CU vs Power

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Approach to Validate TRACG Chimney Void Fraction Calculation(s) for BWRX

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TRACG Qualification – Void Fraction

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TRACG Qualification – Void Fraction in the BWRX Chimney vs [[

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Impact of Calculated Chimney Conditions on Steam Separators

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[[]] and TRACG Transient ATWS Simulation with Isolation Condenser Condensate Flow into Chimney

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Transient Mass Flow Rate and Temperature for [[]]

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Chimney Volume-Averaged Void Fraction for the Transient ATWS Simulation

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Chimney Regional Void Fraction Comparisons for the Transient ATWS Simulation

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Concluding Remarks

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