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**Subject:** Spent Fuel Pool Writeup

George,

Per your request, attached is my revised writeup on spent fuel pool accident consequences. It is on my Branch Chief's desk for review.

Jason

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MEMORANDUM TO: Gary M. Holahan, Director  
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FROM: Farouk Eltawila, Acting Director  
 Division of Systems Analysis and Regulatory Effectiveness  
 Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research

SUBJECT: RADIOLOGICAL CONSEQUENCES OF SPENT FUEL POOL  
 ACCIDENTS OCCURRING UP TO 10 YEARS AFTER FINAL REACTOR  
 SHUTDOWN

As part of its effort to develop generic, risk-informed requirements for decommissioning, NRR requested (Reference 1) that RES evaluate the offsite radiological consequences of beyond-design-basis spent fuel pool accidents. In response to that user need, RES completed an in-house analysis (References 2 and 3) using the MACCS code (Reference 4). The focus of that work was estimation of consequences of accidents occurring between 30 days and 1 year after final reactor shutdown. Recently, NRR requested (References 5 and 6) that RES extend the consequence evaluation to accidents occurring up to 10 years after final shutdown.

RES performed the requested calculations using the release fractions in Table 1 and the fission product inventories at 30 and 90 days and 1, 2, 5, and 10 years after final shutdown. The release fractions in the first row of Table 1 are the sum of the in-vessel and ex-vessel release fractions in NUREG-1465, *Accident Source Terms for Light-Water Nuclear Power Plants*, February 1995 (Reference 7). NUREG-1465 has received significant peer review and is representative of a low pressure core-melt accident. The release fractions in the second row of Table 1, other than those for ruthenium and fuel fines, also are from NUREG-1465. In this case, the ruthenium release fraction is that for a volatile fission product, and the fuel fines release fraction is that from the Chernobyl accident (Reference 8). The results of the RES calculations for the population within 50 miles and within 100 miles (consistent with the distance used in earlier RES analysis for NRR on spent fuel pool accidents) are given in Tables 2 and 3.

**Table 1 Fission Product Release Fractions**

Source Term	Release Fractions								
	Xe,Kr	I	Cs	Te	Sr	Ba	Ru	La	Ce
NUREG-1465	1	.75	.75	.31	.12	.12	.005	.0052	.0055
NUREG-1465 (modified)	1	.75	.75	.31	.12	.12	.75	.035	.035

**Table 2 Results based on NUREG-1465 Source Term**

Case	Decay Time	Mean Consequences (Surry population, 95% evacuation)			
		Within 100 Miles			Within 50 Miles
		Early Fatalities	Societal Dose (rem)	Cancer Fatalities	Societal Dose (rem)
77a	30 days	2.21	$7.15 \times 10^6$	4540	$5.58 \times 10^6$
77b	90 days	1.37	$6.99 \times 10^6$	4420	$5.43 \times 10^6$
77c	1 year	.736	$6.81 \times 10^6$	4190	$5.28 \times 10^6$
77d	2 years	.481	$6.65 \times 10^6$	4020	$5.12 \times 10^6$
77e	5 years	.192	$6.47 \times 10^6$	3800	$4.90 \times 10^6$
77f	10 years	.0778	$6.26 \times 10^6$	3620	$4.72 \times 10^6$
78a <sup>a</sup>	30 days	.0720	$5.69 \times 10^6$	3240	$4.12 \times 10^6$
78b <sup>a</sup>	90 days	.0461	$5.58 \times 10^6$	3150	$4.02 \times 10^6$
78c <sup>a</sup>	1 year	.0301	$5.48 \times 10^6$	3020	$3.95 \times 10^6$
78d <sup>a</sup>	2 years	.0208	$5.40 \times 10^6$	2930	$3.87 \times 10^6$
78e <sup>a</sup>	5 years	.00882	$5.33 \times 10^6$	2820	$3.77 \times 10^6$
78f <sup>a</sup>	10 years	.00400	$5.24 \times 10^6$	2730	$3.69 \times 10^6$

<sup>a</sup>Based on early evacuation.**Table 3 Results based on NUREG-1465 (modified) Source Term**

Case	Decay Time	Mean Consequences (Surry population, 95% evacuation)			
		Within 100 miles			Within 50 miles
		Early Fatalities	Societal Dose (rem)	Cancer Fatalities	Societal Dose (rem)
79a	30 days	192	$2.62 \times 10^7$	21100	$2.37 \times 10^7$
79b	90 days	162	$2.49 \times 10^7$	20000	$2.25 \times 10^7$
79c	1 year	76.9	$2.15 \times 10^7$	17400	$1.93 \times 10^7$
79d	2 years	19.2	$1.90 \times 10^7$	15400	$1.69 \times 10^7$
79e	5 years	1.34	$1.66 \times 10^7$	12600	$1.45 \times 10^7$
79f	10 years	.360	$1.53 \times 10^7$	11400	$1.34 \times 10^7$
80a <sup>a</sup>	30 days	6.65	$1.60 \times 10^7$	15400	$1.35 \times 10^7$
80b <sup>a</sup>	90 days	3.95	$1.52 \times 10^7$	14300	$1.29 \times 10^7$
80c <sup>a</sup>	1 year	.951	$1.34 \times 10^7$	11500	$1.12 \times 10^7$
80d <sup>a</sup>	2 years	.149	$1.20 \times 10^7$	9480	$9.93 \times 10^6$
80e <sup>a</sup>	5 years	.0162	$1.07 \times 10^7$	7620	$8.69 \times 10^6$
80f <sup>a</sup>	10 years	.00601	$1.00 \times 10^7$	6490	$8.13 \times 10^6$

<sup>a</sup>Based on early evacuation.

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