

What is current heat load?

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Notes + background info  
for trip to decommissioning  
facilities

1. How is water made up to the SFP?
2. How are the pumps powered that cool the SFP? What kind of support systems do they have?
3. Describe the SFP cooling system that is currently being used. *See #26*
4. What onsite and offsite power sources are available to equipment that supports the SFP? (Ac and dc power) Do you have uninterruptable power? Is it Seismic Category I? Are they protected against missiles from tornadoes? How differs from operating unit?
5. What fire protection equipment is available? Is it Seismic Category I?
6. How is the site staffed? On nights and weekends?
7. Experience of the fuel handlers?
8. How are rounds made? How often?
9. Typical duties of fuel handlers?
10. What is proceduralized wrt the SFP? For example, if the cooling system fails, is recovery proceduralized?
11. Do you maintain electricians, mechanical, and other maintenance people on site? If not, how are they summoned and how quickly do they respond when a problem arises?
12. What is onsite EP for a decommissioned plant? Who responds and where do they respond to?
13. How many make up sources do you have? Are they Seismic Category I? What is the volumetric flow rate of the makeup sources available? Do they require power?
14. How tightly do you maintain the airtightness your building? Leave doors open? Leave hatches open?
15. Have you maintained your hvac system in the pool area in an operable condition? What is its capacity?
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17. What has been your maintenance record for the SFP level, temperature, and radiation instruments since the plant was shut down?
18. How are these instruments powered? Safety busses?

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19. Are the instruments redundant? Are they diverse?
20. Is your plant being dismantled? What effects on sfp?
21. When was the last time a heavy load was transported over the sfp? How often are heavy loads moved by crane? Over the pool? What is the expected frequency of cask movement (e.g., moves per month)? When do you expect to start/end?
22. When transporting heavy loads, does the plant use the single failure proof crane or other types of cranes? What path limits exist? How are they insured? *assured?*
23. Is there a specific drop analysis?
24. What are the practical effects of making the SFP an island?
25. ~~What equipment is now used to cool the pool~~
26. ~~Is it Seismic Category I?~~
27. What do you have in the pool besides fuel? In particular is anything hanging on the side of the pool or sitting on top of the racks?
28. What would the radiation field be if the pool water level dropped? How low would the water have to drop before you worried about the radiation levels? (Consider answer to question above).
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30. What are your TS requirements for the pool and its supporting equipment?
31. Do you have any capped off lines under the pool that would provide a SFP leakage path if the lines failed?
32. Do you conform to the heavy loads program and RG-????? *0814 ✓*
33. Are transient combustibles controlled at the site, in the SFP area, and near the SFP cooling equipment?
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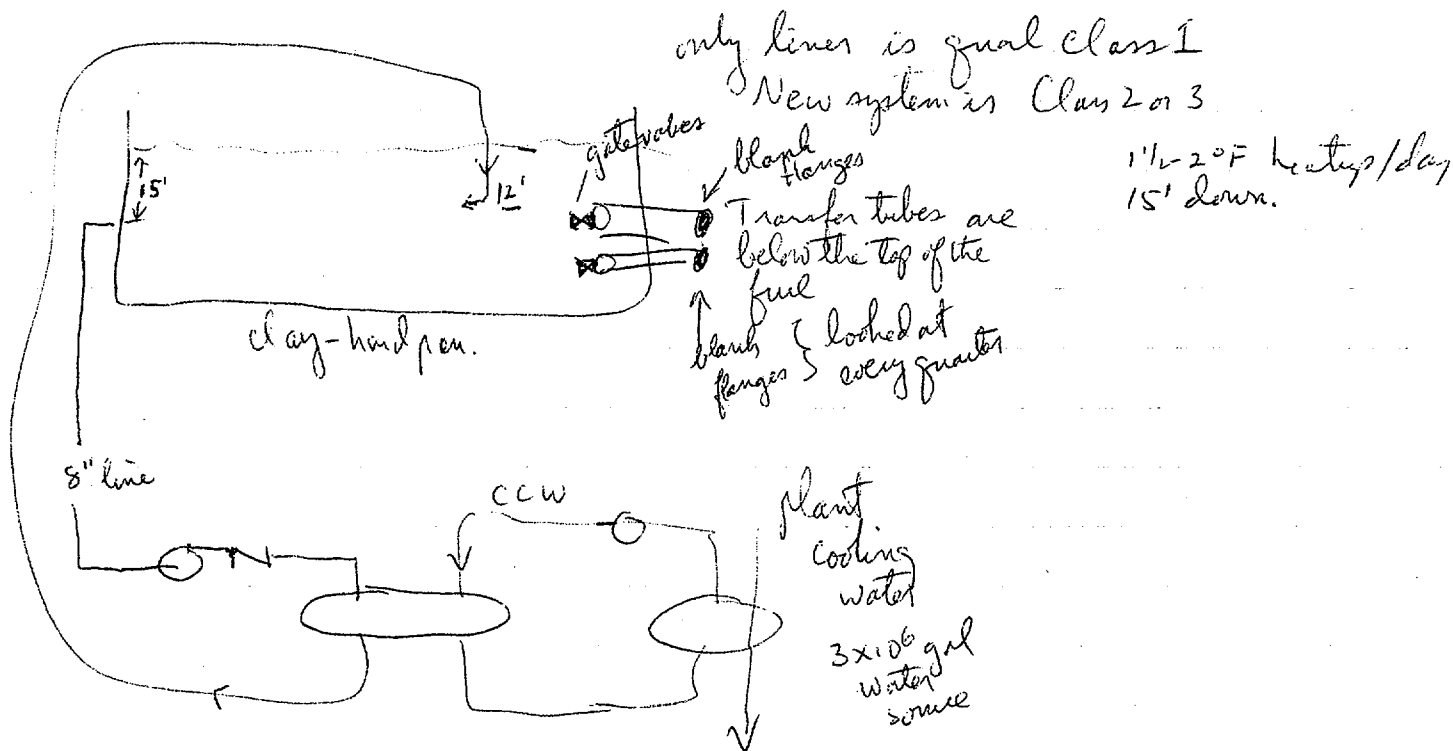
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44311  
Gravel  
room

Walked in, no guards at portal; were in receiving area.  
Gave me unescorted access.



pool thickness = 1" ~~thick~~

cash pit - 6' thick 3/16" stainless  
fuel loading pit - 1' thick stainless

Still use clamp syst. TS on chlorides + fluorides. Runs all the time.

#1. proceduralized - demin tank. pumped.

4 sources make water

Demin water

fire water

sewage water

2. No backup emerg power. 40 days to reach emerg action.  
No EDG backing when running. Could use DHR syst.

3. In compliance w/ defueled plan. System operates. 1 reg + 1 diesel pump. No Scissm at I.

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5. No fire prot equip in SFP building. Same when operating.

6. Certified fuel handlers  
5 crews of 3.

shift sup } certified fuel handlers.  
CR operators }  
aux //

Scaled back INPO approved training program. Same for whatever still runs.

were at least an RO.  
Training requirements just about the same. @ reactor operations.  
4 cycles/year - 36 days in Training per year.

10. Normal operating + casualty procedures (1 level down from EOPs)  
Have annunciator procedures. Normally off computer.

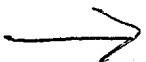
11. Full maint dept elect, E&C, mechanical, QA/QC, HP.

12. Still man Tech Support Center - 24 hrs/day, 365 days/yr. Shrink counties, state + local county. Can't get offsite members now to where they would respond.

14. Maintain @ pressure on building Same as when operating.

15. Yes. Same as operating

16. Main Control room.





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17. Syst just runs + runs + runs.

Area rad monitors are a problem.

One area rad monitor in building

Had problem w/ level alarms (floats). Putting in an ultrasonic system.

Changed out temp monitor (age - still worked).

(local temp, local SFP suction temp + discharge temp)

In control room, only a temp alarm (110°F).

Closed circuit TV monitors level in CR.

Level alarm in CR.

1 area rad monitor (operable if moving fuel)

20. SF building won't be dismantled until all fuel in dry storage.

21. Have external cash crane. Can't get over fuel. Hatches through roof limits travel.

Heavy load procedure hasn't changed. Can move things up to weight of fuel assembly.

Want to load 2 canisters/month.

Never moved over pool.

24. Don't need CCW or plant cooling water (once thru) cooling by chiller

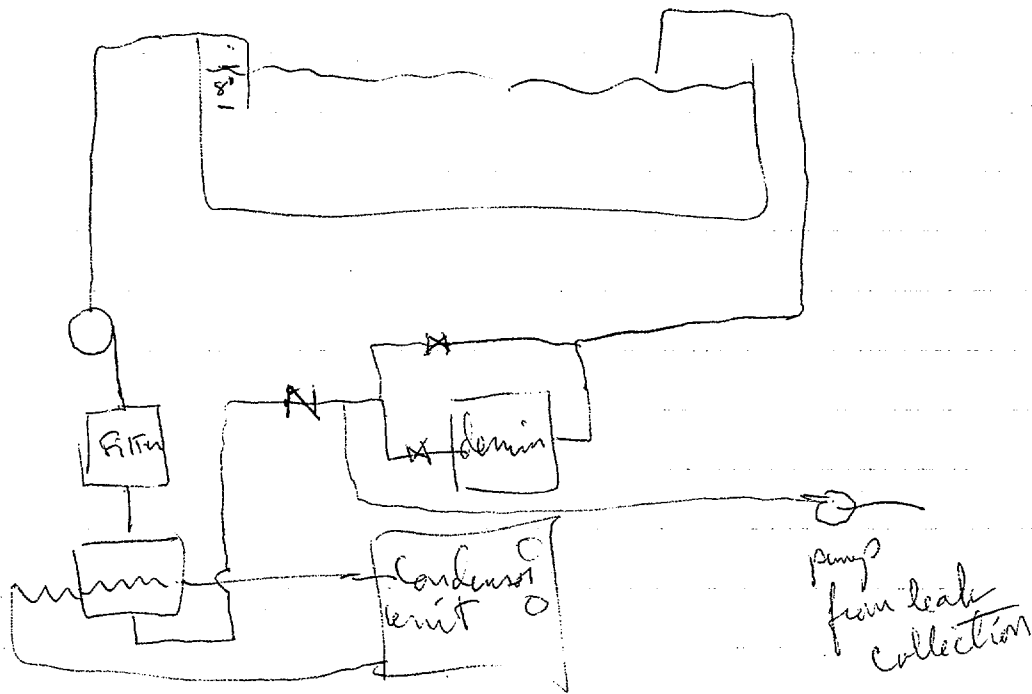
leakage goes back to pool.

Will isolate + decommission old lines. Will run new syst for 8 weeks to see if new is reliable (old kept around for 8 weeks)

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Only thing outside is condensing unit.



All annunciators on computer. Has pool temp.  
Hi/low level alarm doesn't work. Have TV monitor.  
New syst will have analog pool temp + level.  
Have lo-low level alarm(?)

No idea on water shutoff + close.

shid + controls  
Silver tank = demineralizer for shid

1 area monitor

Not sure if instnue off DC backed bus.

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30. Rad monitor moving fuel  
    { 37' when handling  
    { 23' " not  
    1400°F temp max  
    chemistry  
    heavy loads

33. fire ext along wall  
    Have admin plan to limit combustibles

Volume of upender  
N<sub>2</sub> pressurized seals  
air-backed

Vol in upender ≈

82,560

40' x  $\frac{12''}{ft}$  x  $\frac{172 gal}{in}$

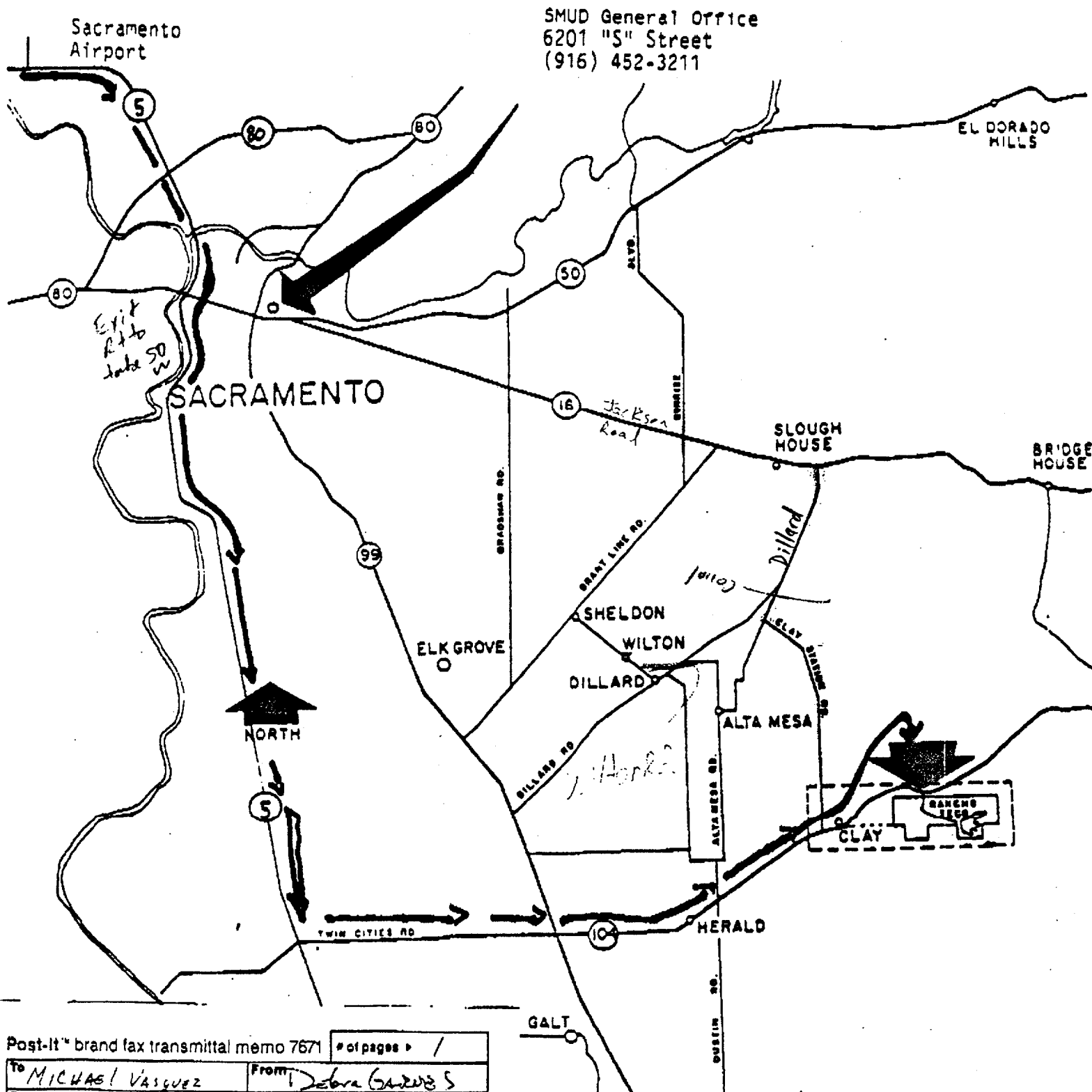
≤ 8 feet down if fill up upender area (approx)

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From Metro Airport  
Take I-5 South (apprx. 30 miles)  
Twin Cities Road  
East on Twin Cities (apprx. 20 miles)  
Rancho Seco  
Make a right and follow access road  
to the plant.

0 10  
Miles

*It is Route 505: Take 5th St. Exit  
onto "S" Street*



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To MICHAEL VASQUEZ	From Debra GARDNER
Co. URC Reg.	Co. SMUD 402-

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Ingon SFP

- Control room is only emergency response facility @ Ingon.
- portable water → down 7 SFP (pump)
  - service water right (lower water)
  - alt. pump
  - portable pump over water

3. SFP cleaning / setting -

4. No backup power (normal). Have little generator to maintain SFP cooler.

15. Same as original. SFP vent out same as before.

16. Camera on deck.

20. things in old SFP line (in 10 down) + line out + cycle

Single ~~deck~~ in deck  
in / low level alarm  
TV monitor on post

TS - level, temp, level,

6. All mops are CPHadders

Trojan

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- ⑥ hire 3 - 1 shift mgr, 2 operators
- ⑦ all CFH - SRO or RO  
for ISFSI - have new "fuel movers"
- 8. 2 times / shift 12 hr shifts

10. off normal instructions

13. volumetric flow rate - fire pump  $\geq 200 \text{ gpm}$   
all  $\leq 500 \text{ gpm}$   
normal makeup  $\leq 15 \text{ gpm} / \text{clean water}$   
Diesel + electric fire pump.

11. Day shift - otherwise, on-call.

12. ~~at~~ unusual event -

alert - activate to control room / pagers

16. 2 criticality monitors - alarm in CR  
good condition

SFP leakage monitored here too. Not alarmed. Look in  
drains on rounds.

27. safe ends

28. 5' ;

29. NO; no leak in trans tube

33. yes

34. no

35. 2 gas driven pumps to put hose in river  
SW

fire main.

40. gates use instr air.

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Trojan

Capped the transfer tube that goes to the pool.

30. 45 on level + water chemistry

18' - 7'10" water > fuel.

31. ~~Full~~ Temporary filter

Cooling lines mostly removed that went down into pool.

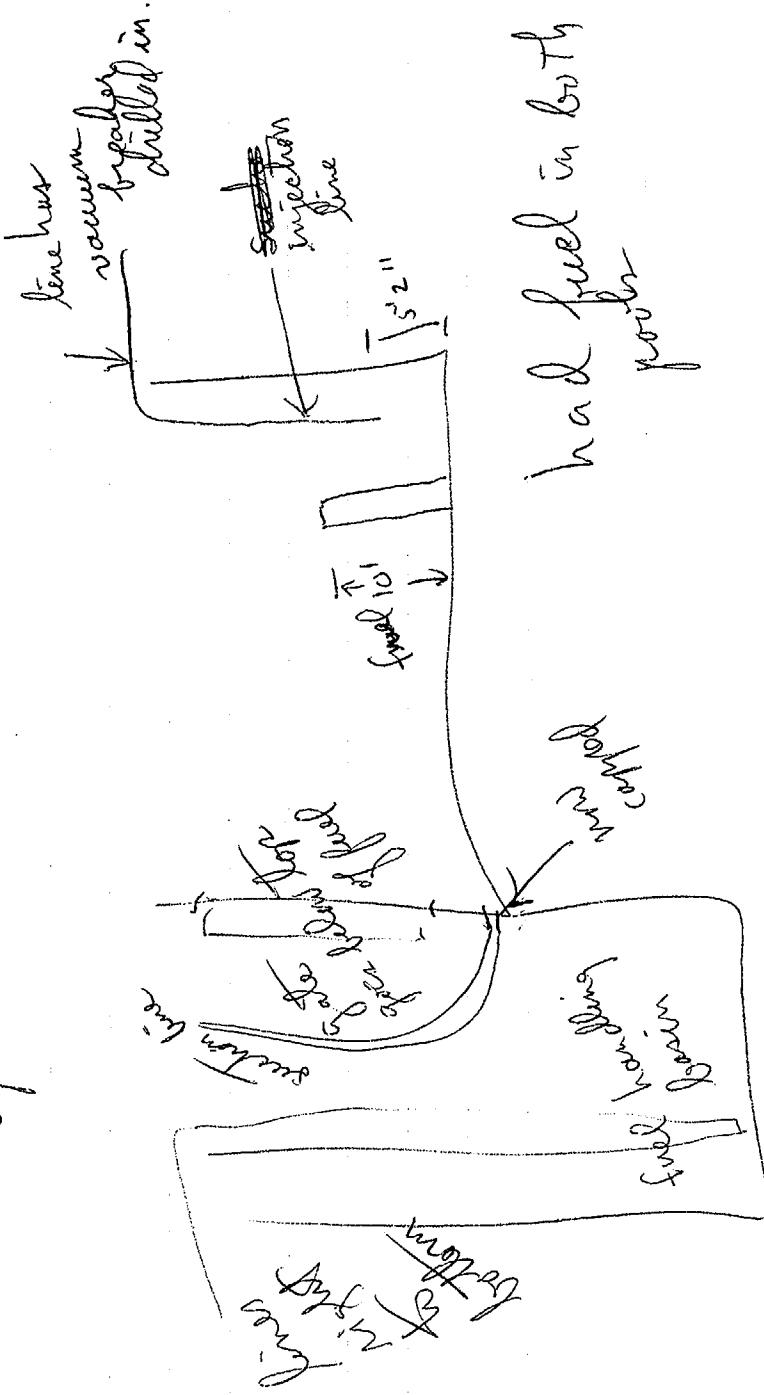


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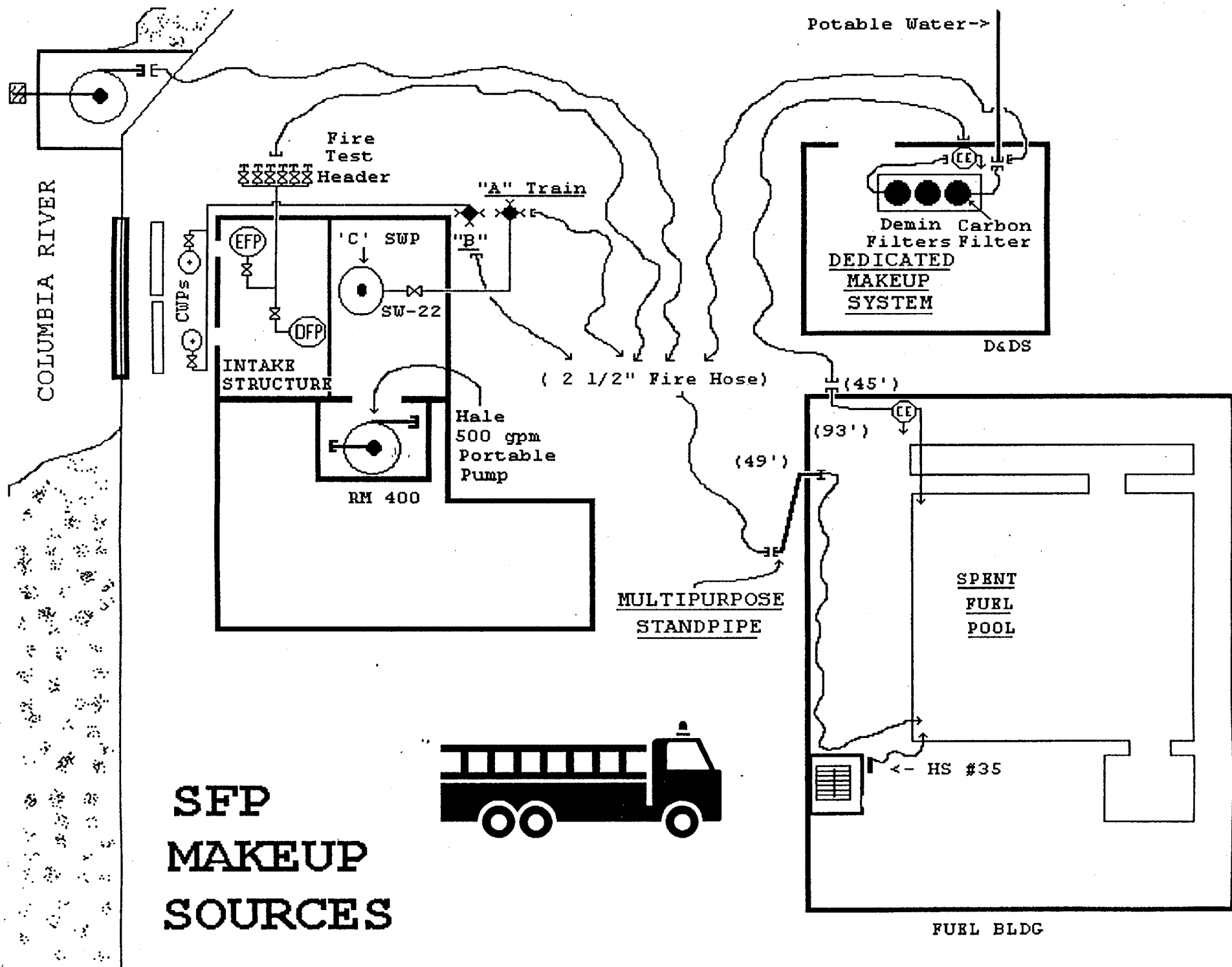
32. Drilled in siphon holes. Now cut off (all except 1).

33. Controlled

34. 2 common switch yard at site - Unit 1 off 138 KV switchyard. Unit 1 can get power from other transformer. (Read bar transfer) No problems



had fuel in both pools





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405 North

EXIT to St. Louis

Follow 30 N.

15 miles > St. Louis

41 miles

Lower Parking Lot  
Building at top of slope - Dam on LHS  
Call Gary? : mmmmm  
8:13-24M



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**C O V E R**

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*Figure 3.3-4*

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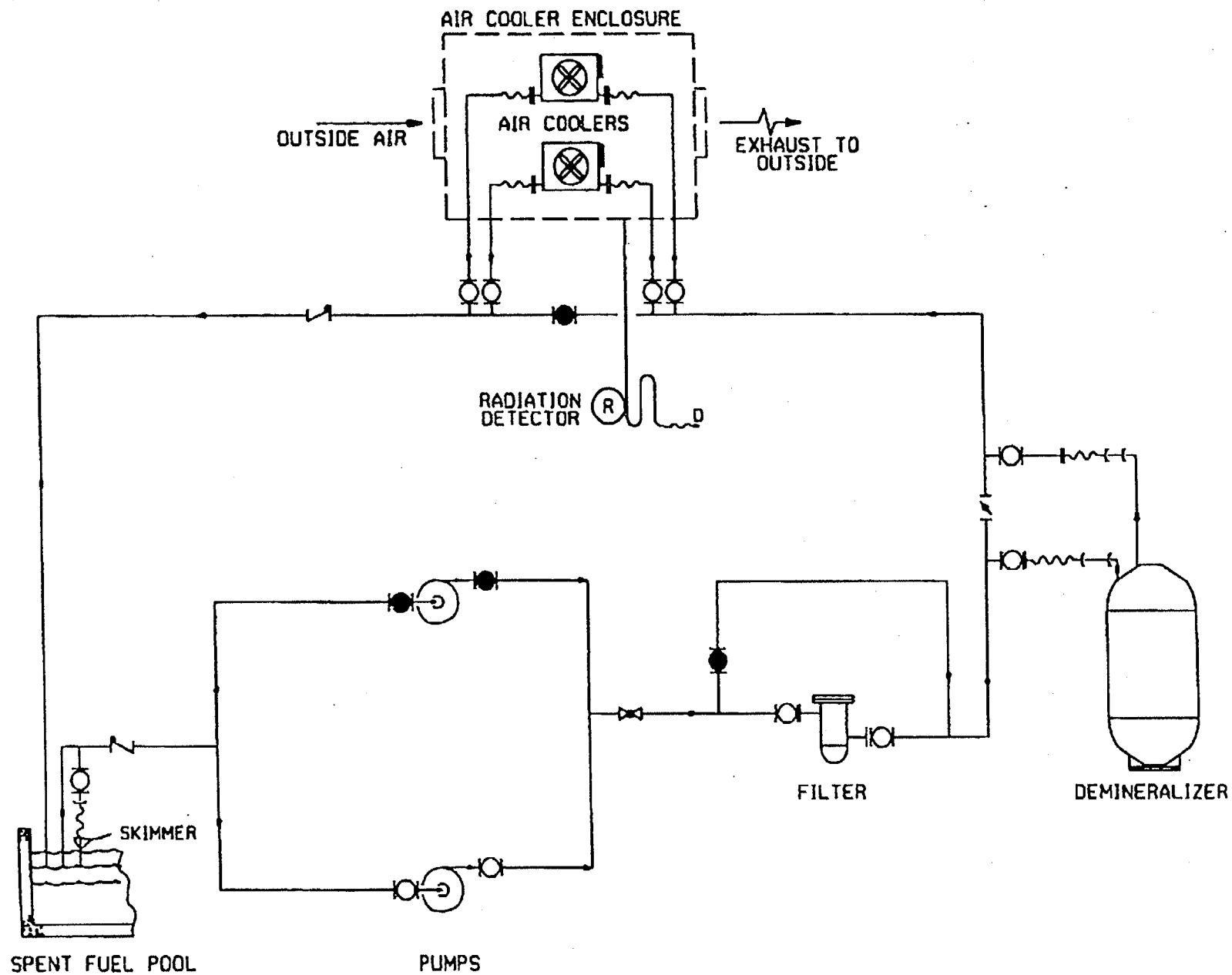


Figure 3.3-4 Modular Spent Fuel Pool Cooling and Cleanup System

Revision 7

Dresden 1

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1. Clean demin (normal) pumped (low volume)  
fire prot (hose) emergency - dedicated w/staged hose.  
not seismic pumped.

Dres 1 not seismic, UBC seismic 3.3% dead load  
 $\frac{1}{2}$

fuel pool not seismic

2. offsite

3. No cooling syst

5. still has hose station + sprinkler system

6. Certified fuel handlers

qualified Unit 1 Supervisor - NRC approved program  
(braz - SRO on unit 2013).

8. Unit 1 - 8hr shift

Unit 2-3 has rounds person check ~~Unit~~ Unit 1 fuel pool  
level 1/shift - 8hrs; (12hrs in refueling)

10. Procedures if lose water level. DFP-0850-01

Use fire protection as emerg source.

fire syst common to all 3 units - looped header

11. Dedicated maintenance 5 day work shift  
on call maint

12. Have a station plan - 2 action levels for Unit 1  
General Site Emerg Plan -

→ Where do they go? Go to Tech Support Center

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13. 4,000 - 10,000 gal month Drunk

14. have maintained HVAC. One vent to others, was exchange to chimney (no delay, just monitored).  
HCPA filter

16. Unit 1 controls are in Unit 2/3 control room. Half work removed. Separate production and (temp/level) alarm.

Can read out area radiation (now only for dry catch storage) local for temp + level

19. 2 ARMA  
1 level  
1 temp port  
1 " cook pit

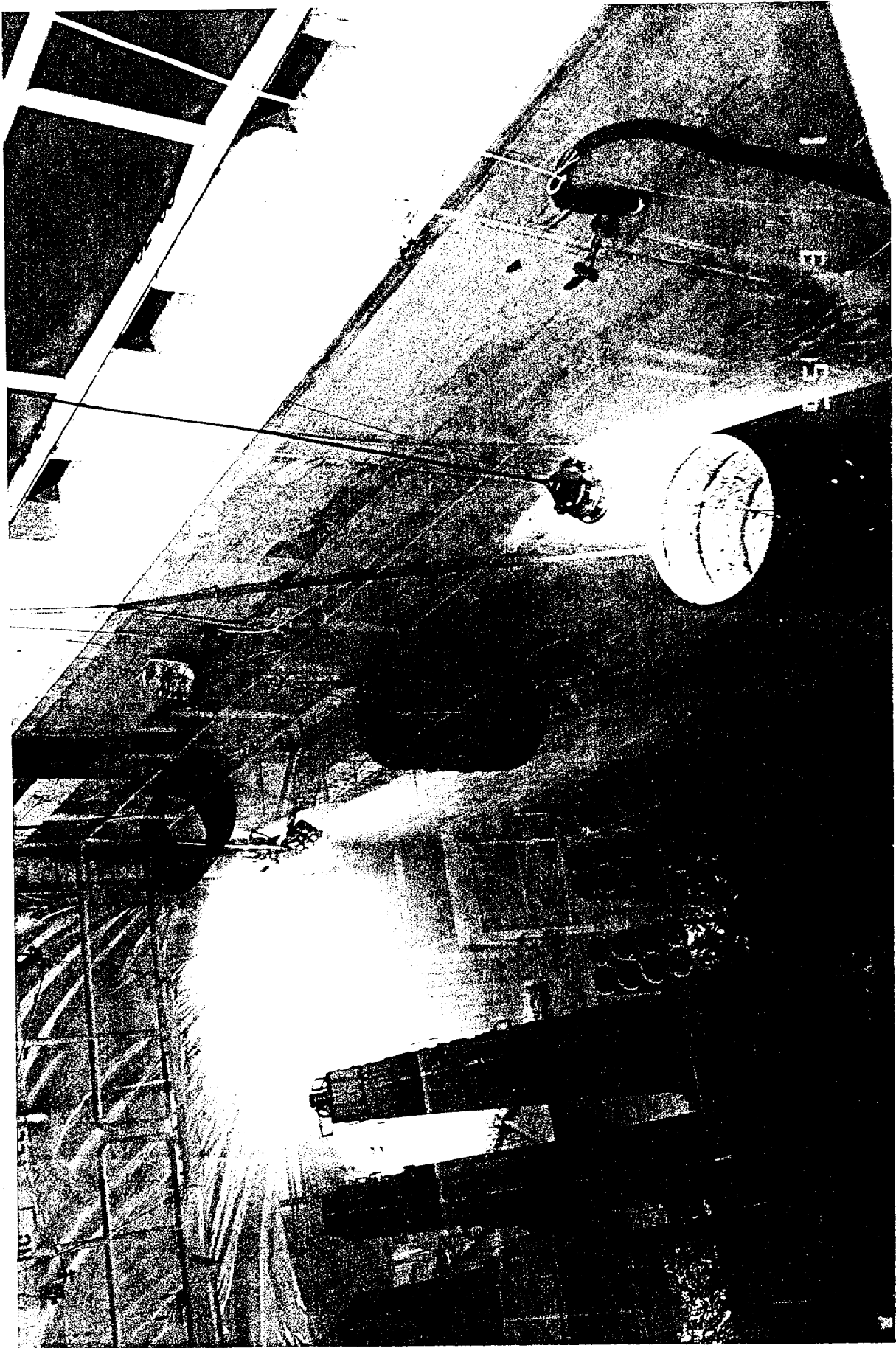
20. Monitor  
21. Neen ore fuel, you are transfer port  
gator don't go over fuel.  
proceduralized control for crane &  
New crane will have electrical stops.

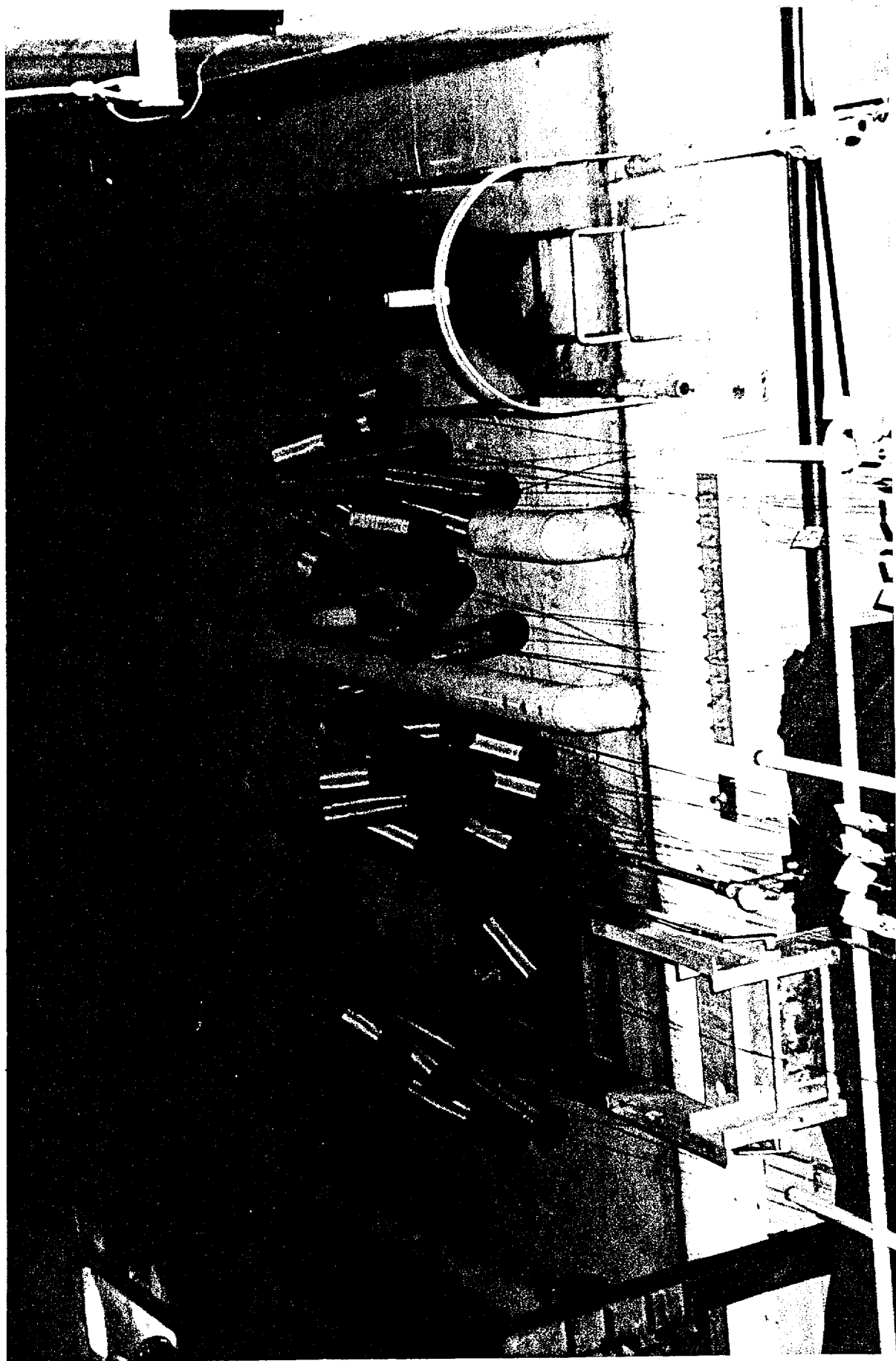
→ 27. Small components (left, opening clip - in brackets)  
→ 28.

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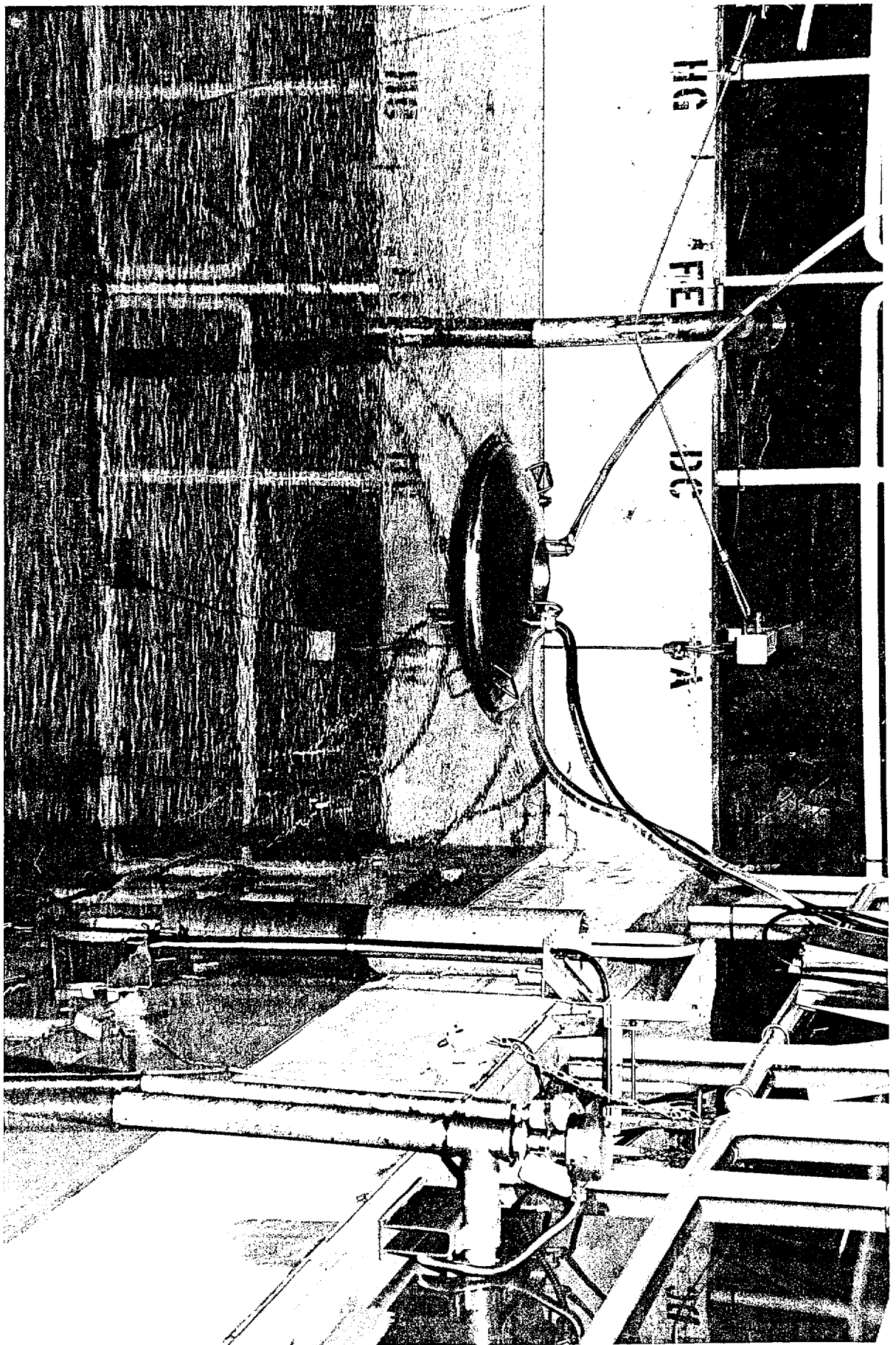
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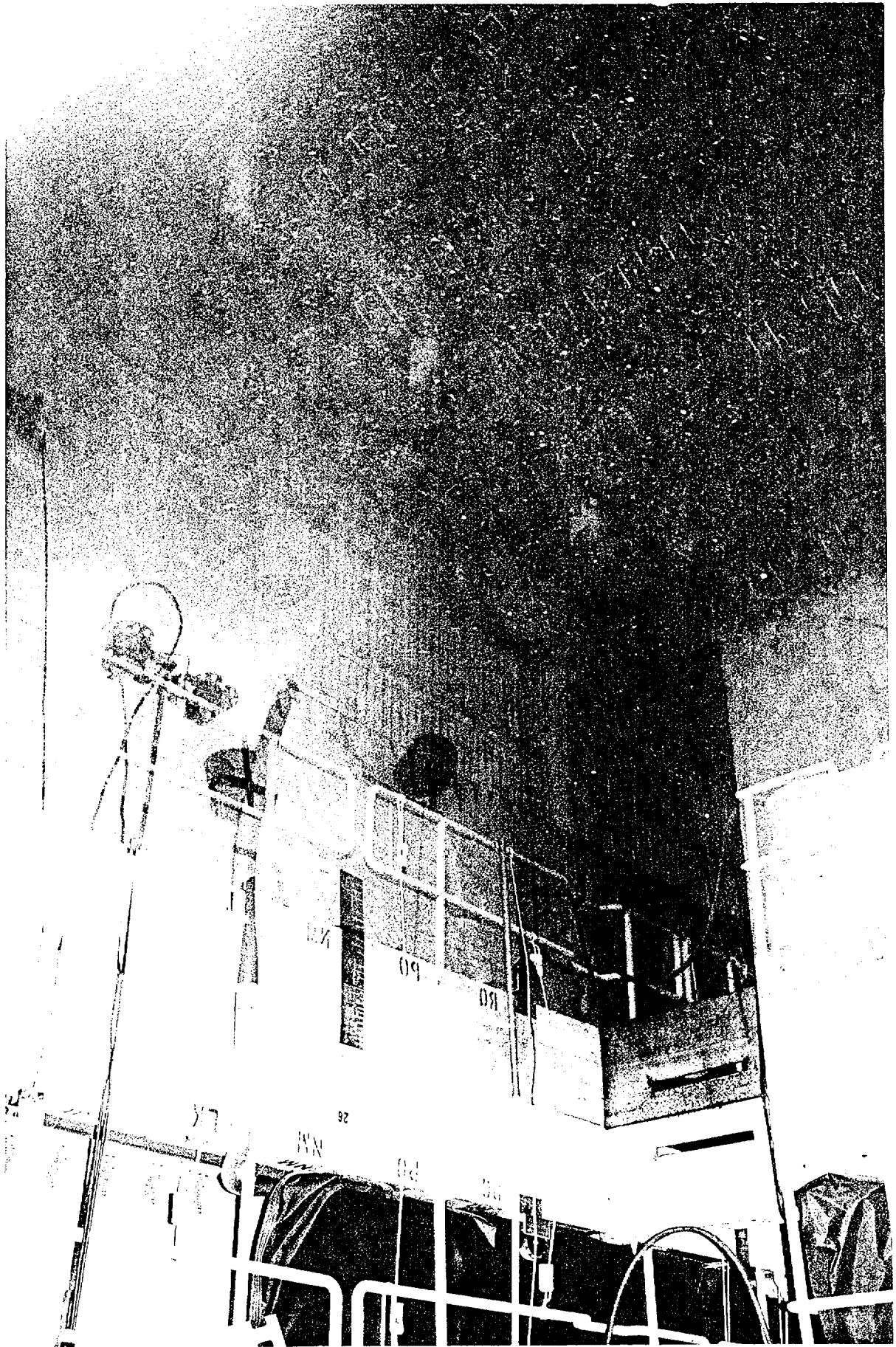


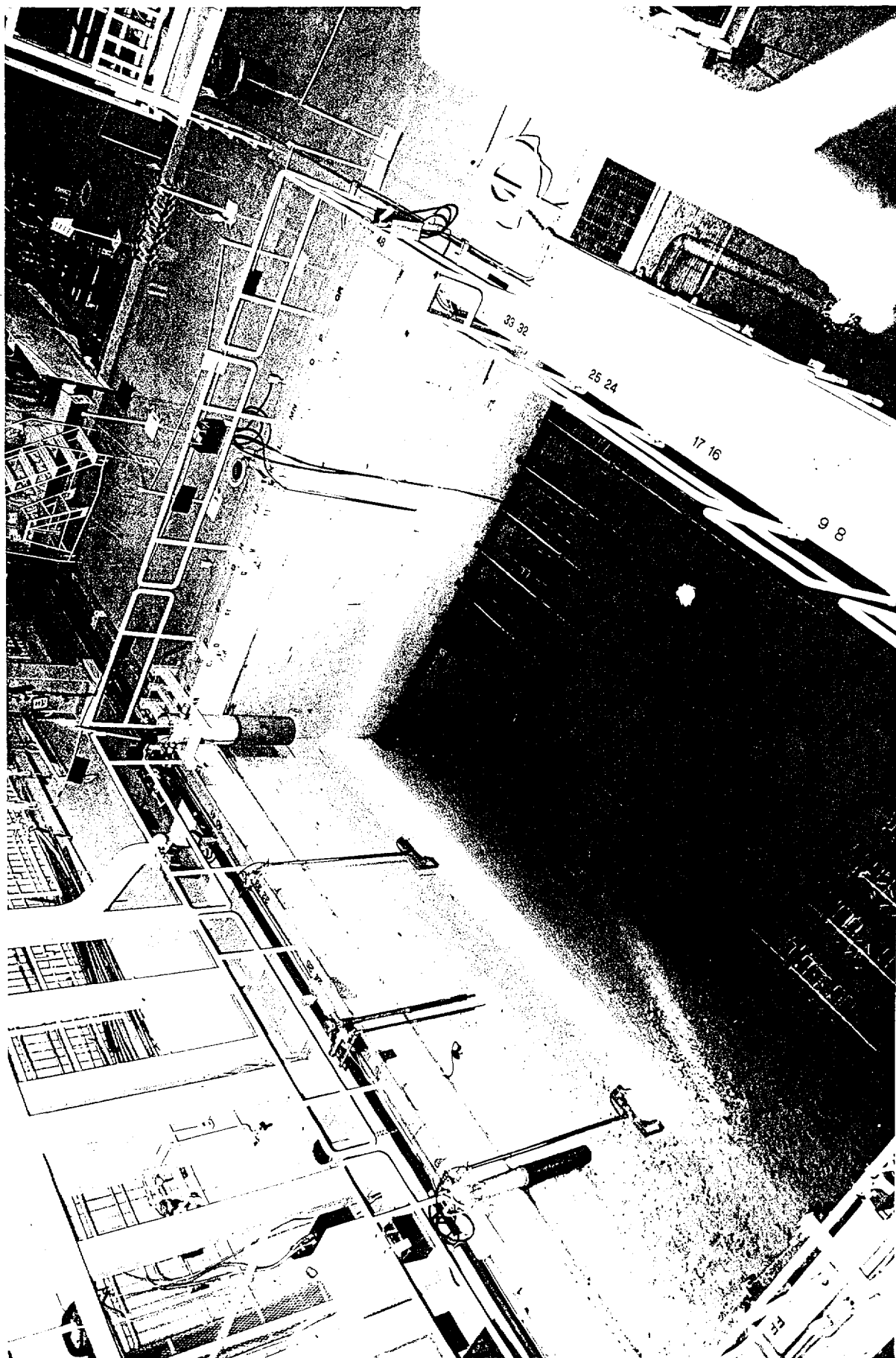


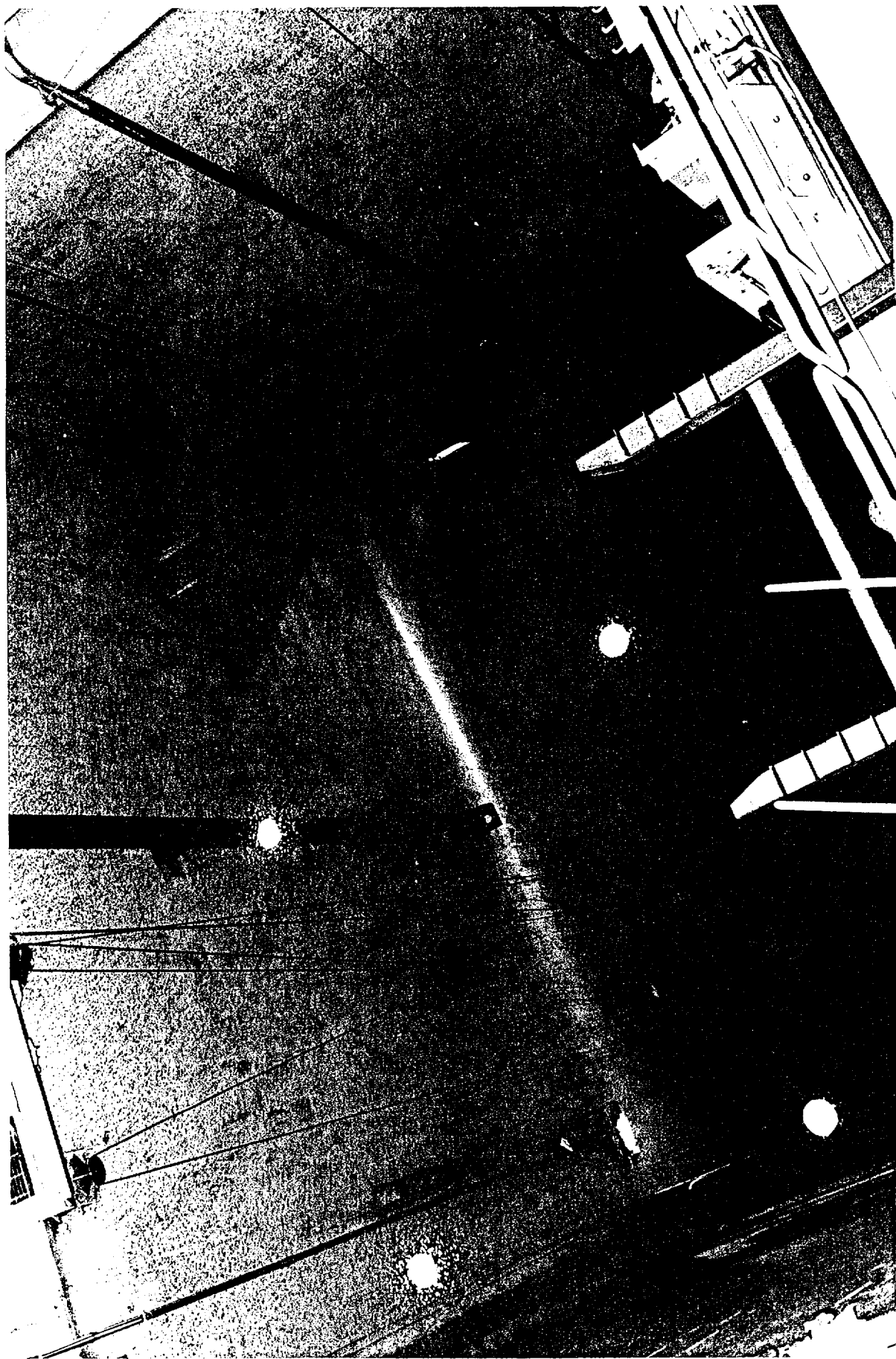








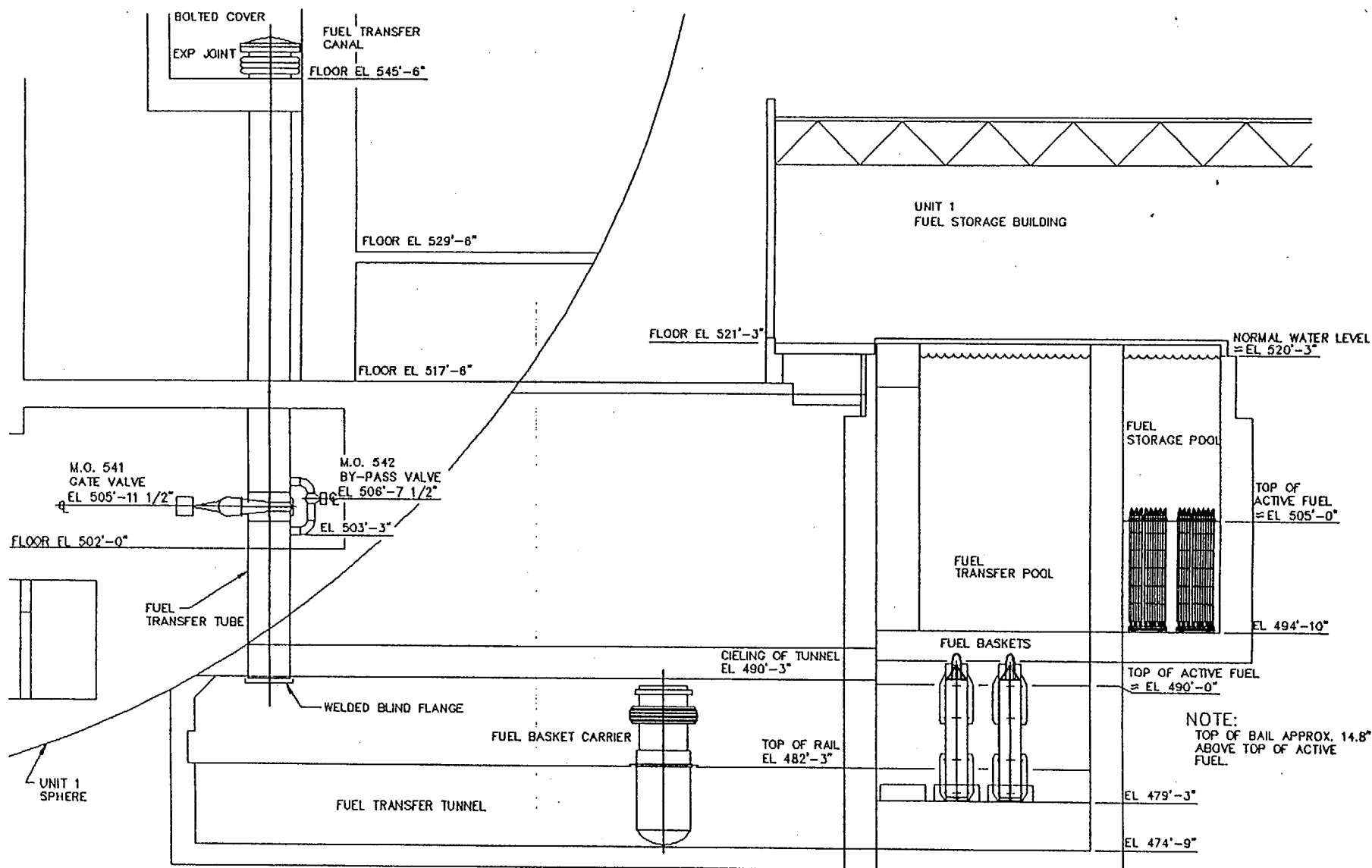




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Fuel Handling System

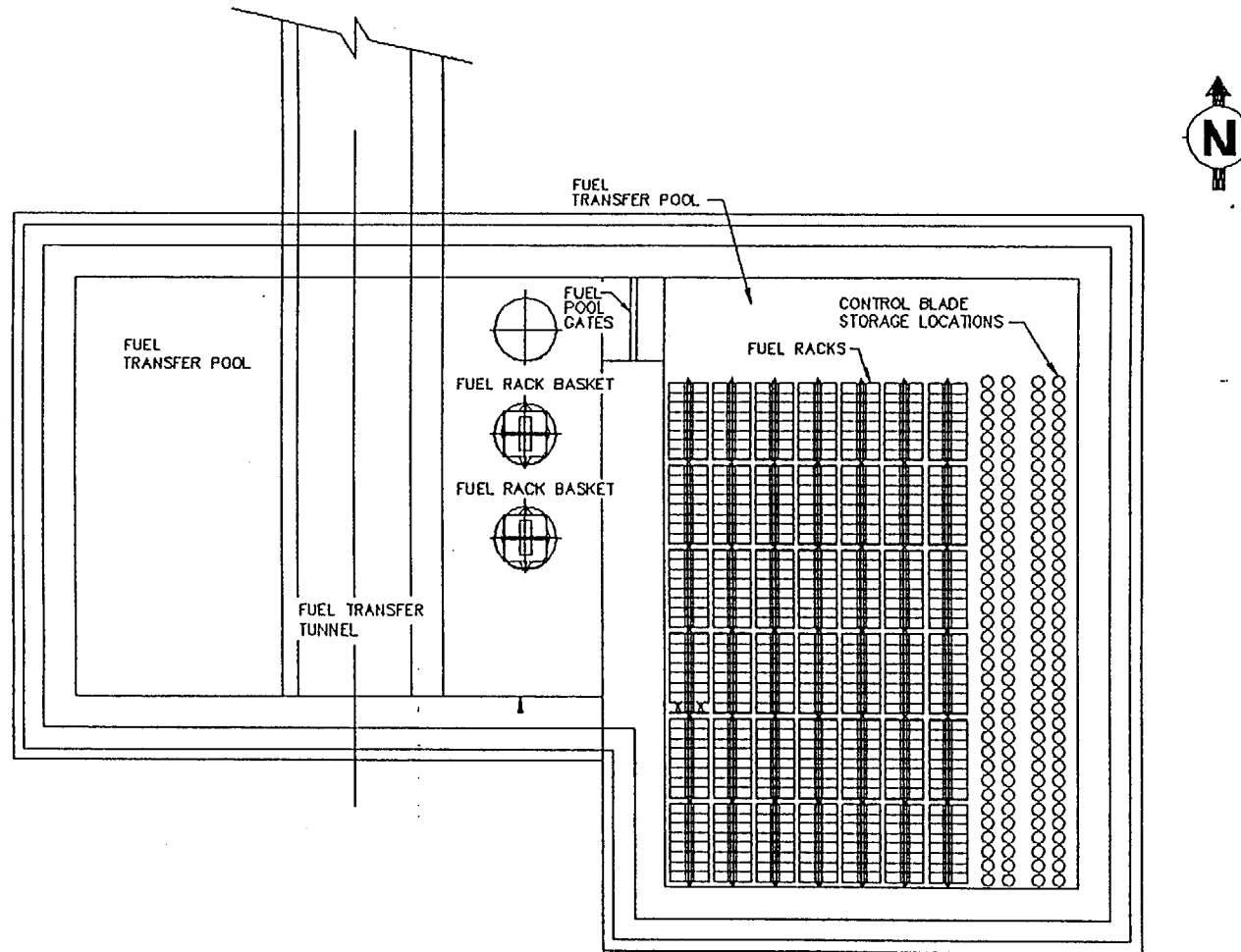




Dresden 1

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Figure 3.2  
Unit 1 Fuel Storage Pool & Fuel Transfer Pool



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Current heat load - 3M BTU/hr

1 offsite power line  
1 diesel generator

1. a) primary water pump from primary water tank  
b) fire pond. (elect + diesel pump)

2. pumps powered by 1 offsite line thru transformer. Have manually started DG on blocks next to fan coolers which provides power to fans + pumps if offsite power is lost. Not seismic CAT I.

3. See picture Use old SFP cooling system pump + heat ex.  
Figure 3.3-4 Rev 16

4. No interruptible power. Not missile protected.

5. fire protection has electric + diesel driven pump. Have dry sprinkler syst + hose stations in SF building. Maintain deluge system for X-16 transformer. Not seismic CAT I.

6. a. shift mgr + certified fuel handler + security people.  
actually have 3 operators now. TS require 2.  
most senior people.

Have someone else who moves fuel.

→ nights + weekends



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Maine Yankee

8.

9.

10.

11. elects, mech + ITC 8-4 pm. Same for HP. Not there on back shift.  
Operators are trained in HP. SSW has its own HPs. Most were  
former Maine Yankee HPs.

On call.

12. Offsite EP is dismantled (as for as NRC, State has some  
requirements). Go to TSC + EDFlorally.

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Maine Yankee

13. Makeup sources - demin tank, fire water system from fire pond.

14. @ pressure

15. Mode to system. Used to be tied into plant. Now plant is an island. Lower capacity(?)

16. SFP control room is in the gate house. Hardened, but no ventilation (recommend don't turn off ventilation; MRC's opinion)

→

~~17~~

17. No problems

18. offsets power

19.

→ 20. yes

21. Only during re-racking. OK'd by MRC.

22. Will upgrade crane to SF proof.

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Maine Yankee

24. Can remove all the buildings + not affect SFP island.

27. Some trash in baskets. Before rack they cleaned up the pool.

28.

29. Fuel pool level drain down 6-7" couple of months ago. Not sure what it was.

30. TS on level + boron concentration when no verification of fuel after moved fuel.

31. fuel transfer tube - valued closed + capped

32.

33. yes - control combustibles.

34. None - are a direct connection.

35. ?

36. gates in pool

DBE .05g  
Housner  
Hypothetical .1g perform intended fun.

Maine Carlee 4/22/99

1 shift, 8 hr shifts

Alarms on computer screen

Mockup mimic of system on screen  
also 1 person has to be in control room  
all certified fuel handlers are ex-SRCs  
CR<sub>2</sub> - former aux operators  
operators

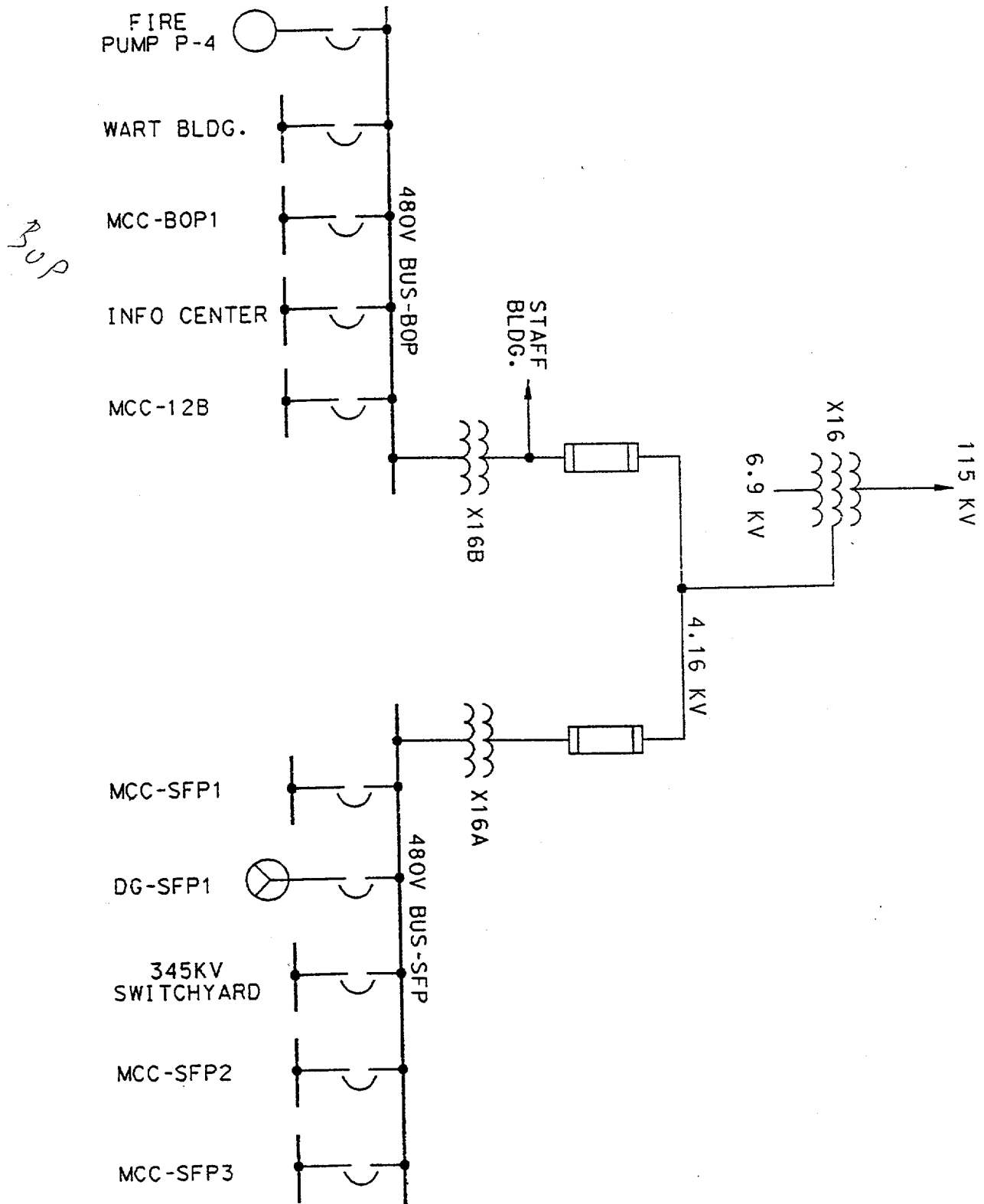
Abnormal operating procedures

Security cameras in control room.

making pump is local starting (150 gpm +)  
fine pumps (not sure of throughput) (base) 700 2 1/2" hoses  
a. turn water  
b.

Operator says of shuffling at 2-3'

Operator calls people by memory of who is needed in  
the middle of the night. Security helps but, military  
experience.



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ONE LINE DIAGRAM TRANSMISSION  
AND UTILITY INTERCONNECTIONS  
WITH MAINE YANKEE

FIGURE  
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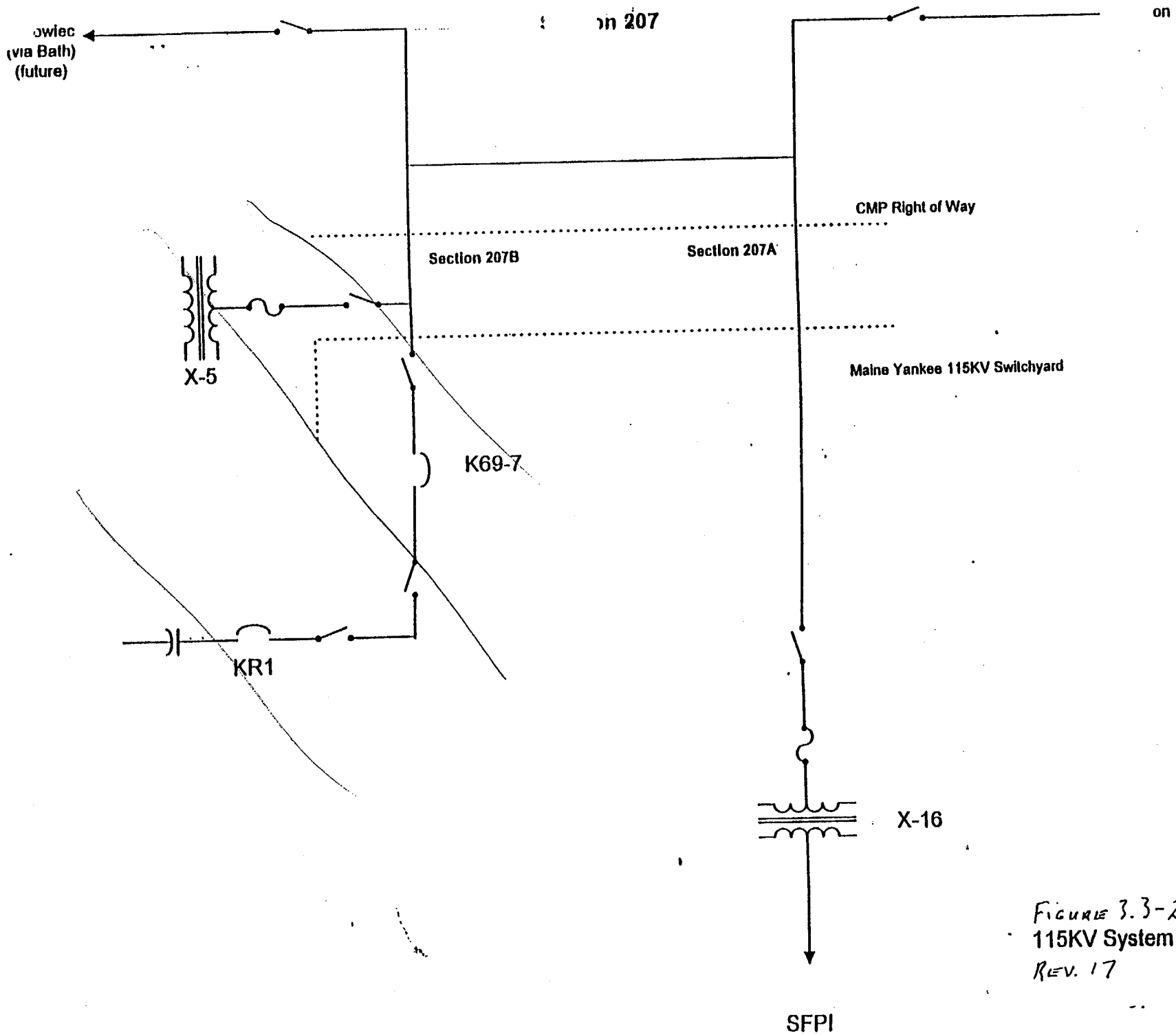


FIGURE 3.3-23  
115KV System  
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June 5, 1998  
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Mr. Callan,

The following requests are tendered on behalf of Friends of the Coast- Opposing Nuclear Pollution, which is a non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Maine. Friends of the Coast has actively investigated and advocated nuclear safety at Maine Yankee Atomic Power Station (MYAPS), and generically, since April, 1995.

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***FRIENDS of the COAST / USNRC / 6/5/98 (2)***

I serve as Friends of the Coast Representative to the MYAPC Community Advisory Panel (CAP) on Decommissioning. At a recent meeting, I was disturbed to hear Michael Meisner, President of MYAPC, explain that NRC's apparent renewed interest in Generic Issue 82 and NUREG 1453 "Spent Fuel Cladding Fire Scenario" was not a serious effort to address a potential safety issue. Rather he told our CAP, news media, state officials, and public attendees that, "... (It) is just a bureaucratic thing."

Is it?

Mr. Meisner stated that a spent fuel cladding fire at MYAPS is simply impossible.

Is it?

If it is impossible, what is the justification for NRC's insistence that insurance and emergency response apparatus at MYAPS not be reduced in accord with the facility's de-fueled condition?

Is it now NRC's position that additional analysis is required to determine the means of propagation, likelihood, or consequences of a cladding fire, criticality accident, or other scenario for radiation releases?

Are consequences of a spent fuel pool (SFP) accident now considered by NRC to be worse than previously estimated?

Are any of the above concerns currently under examination at NRC?

Mr. Meisner further stated that USNRC's sole motivation, in not accepting MYAPC's spent fuel heat-up analysis, and in not moving on accepting MYAPC's emergency plan and financial protection exemption requests, was an attempt to force utilities, like MYAPC to employ an untested heat-up computer-modeling code. Mr. Uldis Vanags, State of Maine Nuclear Safety Advisor, concurred, offering that he had confirmed Mr. Meisner's assertion by means of a phone call to Battelle Labs.

Are these gentlemen correct?

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Friends of the Coast, which is on the mailing list for MYAPC, did not receive notice of this meeting until Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. This lack of proper notice complicates the hardship of distance. Interested citizenry and non-profit organizations do not have the financial resources that permit utilities to pay premium airfare, that is, twice the advance-notice airfare, in order to meet extemporaneous scheduling. The work schedules of interested citizens are not nearly so flexible as the schedules of corporate executives nor are the pockets of working people quite so deep as those of electric utilities.

Friends of the Coast has raised this issue with USNRC in the occasion of past meetings. It is ludicrous to say meetings are, "Open to the Public", pursuant to "Commission Policy on Staff Meetings Open to the Public", 59 Federal Register 48344, 9/20/94, if those meetings are not adequately noticed to the public and are so removed from the effected public as to present an unaffordable opportunity to attend.

USNRC has defended this practice in the past by claiming that the agency has its technical expertise on the premises should technical questions arise. Our experience of several meetings at Region I headquarters, and our interview of Washington-based persons who have attended a score of meetings in Rockville, is that this practice appears not to be a necessity, for no technical experts have been called in during any of the meetings. I note that the list of Participants for the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting includes three persons, Seymour Weiss, Michael Masnik, and Michael Webb, who have traveled to Maine, more than once, for public relations events. They would, surely, not be loathe to do so at the onset of our summer tourist season.

I am, as an aside, somewhat distressed to see that only one potential expert in spent fuel pool and fuel heat-up analysis has been designated to take part in the meeting on behalf of NRC. One can only hope that individual will be supplemented for a thorough and in-depth analysis of the MYAPS SFP situation.

Of course, a meeting, which is truly open to the public, would give those of us who have a vital interest an opportunity to learn about the issue, and gauge the quality of discourse for ourselves.

**C. Request That USNRC Not Act on Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company Requests For Emergency Plan and Financial Protection Exemptions Until Certain Design Features and Accident Scenarios are Analyzed with Respect to Current and Proposed Spent Fuel Pool Operating Conditions.**

If a spent fuel cladding fire is even a remote possibility, has NRC reviewed MYAPS accident scenarios and/or conditions particular to MYAPS to determine possibilities,

( e.g., accident precursors, accident scenarios, and bounding events) not previously considered?

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Has NRC determined that there are no unanalyzed conditions or scenarios, which may contribute to the probabilities or consequences of an accident or act of sabotage?

NUREG 1453 states that the likelihood of a SFP loss of water accident at a PWR, such as MYAPS, is less than that for a BWR because PWR SFP's are generally bedded on rock or firmly bedded in the earth. **The MYAPS SFP, however, shares one pool wall with the basement of the primary auxiliary building (PAB)**

- Has NRC, in reviewing drain down potential, factored in that the SFP at MYAPS has one long pool wall placed against, or sharing a basement wall, with the basement of the PAB?
- Has NRC ascertained the drain down rate through a pool liner and SFP/PBA basement wall failure?
- Has NRC ascertained the volume and elevation of the PAB basement to determine drain down potential?
- Has NRC ascertained the number, flow rates, and isolation potential of drains in the PAB basement?
- Has NRC calculated the potential impact of a heavy load drop, from the upper levels of the PAB, on the PAB/SFP wall, pool liner, and spent fuel? Only a sheet metal wall separates the two adjoining spaces.

As part of NRC mandated, "Individual Plant Examination for Severe Accident Vulnerability", **MYAPC was asked to analyze the effect of the collapse of the south wall of the SFP building. Apparently this masonry wall is not seismically qualified.** MYAPC's analysis on potential fuel damage and heating was evidently prepared by Yankee Atomic Electric Company/ Yankee Nuclear Services Division and checked by NRC staff, A.Thadani and Patrick Sears. **Given YAE/YNDS's notoriously poor performance in heat load/transfer calculations [ MYAPS Emergency Core Cooling System RELAP5YA Application, High Energy Line Break Analysis, and Atmospheric Steam Dump Valve Sizing] during Mr. Sears tenure as Project Manager, shouldn't the south wall collapse analysis, which largely concerns heat transfer, be re-examined at this juncture?**

In the MYAPC analysis of the south wall collapse, it is assumed that the masonry wall falls as a unit, lying flat on the fuel as a broken sheet of rubble. In that situation, MYAPC assumes fuel, end to end (vertical), compacting of less than two inches. This plus uniformly broken rubble permits intact spent fuel assembly end-caps to

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provide adequate cooling through side vents (just under the sturdy caps). An examination of the south wall and comparison with the rubble of recently demolished masonry commercial buildings in a nearby city, was evidence to Friends of the Coast that different scenario was just as likely. Rather than the wall falling as a single flat sheet with base and peak reaching the horizontal at, more or less, the same time, a more common collapse separates top and bottom (approximate) "halves" while the wall is still close to vertical. If the wall buckles inward, the top "half" remains close to vertical until impact, landing on its edge with concentrated force distributed over fewer spent fuel assemblies. It deposits its rubble in a mound rather than a sheet. And, unlike a flat sheet fall, a horizontal midline buckling seems to result in rubble that includes both large sections and small pieces.

- Has NRC considered the compound effect if the masonry wall were dropped in the SFP by a seismic event, which also violated the integrity of the shared SFP/PAB basement wall?

Following the MYAPS IPE analysis, MYAPC volunteered to offset concerns about the impact of a south wall collapse on the spent fuel crane. The company set an administrative limit requiring the crane not be left unattended at the south end of the building when spent fuel of less than 180 days decay was present. Since MYAPC has declared their limiting SFP accident scenario to be the dropping and rupture of one spent fuel assembly, one is hard pressed to imagine what fanciful postulated trajectory of a one hundred ton crane would yield less damage. Even so, we have observed the crane parked against the south wall of the spent fuel pool. Engaging the President of the company on the subject, while we toured the SFP building, and the Vice-President a short while later, confirmed they had no at-hand knowledge of the self-imposed restriction.

- Prior to accepting MYAPS south wall collapse analysis and bounding accident definition and analysis, will NRC review and independently verify the licensee's assumptions and conclusions?
- In re-examining the potential and consequences of SFP accident and release scenarios, will NRC take into account the number of deteriorated and damaged spent fuel assemblies stored in the MYAPS SFP?

In 1994, a pipe, connected to the SFP at Dresden Unit 1, froze and burst leading to a drain-down of over 55,000 gallons of SFP coolant. Arguments about heat loads and cladding fire potential aside, a clear hazard exists in deep drain downs of personnel exposures to high radiation fields. Protracted sub-zero temperatures are common to the MYAPS site. In various sections of the facility over the years

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MYAPS has experienced ice-blocked vents, frozen pipes, valves, equipment pads and paving shifted or broken by freeze/thaw cycles, and sub-freezing pump house temperatures.

- Prior to severing and isolating SFP coolant piping to establish the licensee's "nuclear island", was analysis submitted and verified that would take into account the damage freezing might do to any of the truncated and/or sealed-off components [ eg. valves, piping, caps, drains, blind flanges, etc] ?

In support of its De-fueled Emergency Plan and 10CFR50.54(q) Exemption Request, the licensee addresses the hazard of aircraft accidents involving the SFP by identifying nearby Wiscasset Airport as a facility, which handles only light aircraft. What is fact, and an issued raised at the NRC's Public MYAPS Post -Shutdown Decommissioning Activities Plan (PSDAR) Meeting, held in Wiscasset, Maine on November 7, 1997, is that P-3 Orion patrol craft from Brunswick Naval Air Station, routinely fly near the plant at very low altitudes. This patrol craft, when fully loaded, weighs in excess of 60,000 pounds, and can be equipped with air-to-sea, possibly nuclear-tipped, missiles. In addition, low altitude military air exercises have taken place along the Maine coast involving B-52 aircraft and jet re-fueling tanker aircraft. These aircraft have been observed flying the approximate course of the Sheepscot River, very near to, if not directly, over MYAPS. Removal of surrounding structures as per the MYAPS PSDAR will render to SFP Building more vulnerable to aircraft impact.

- What actions has NRC undertaken to date to address the aircraft concerns raised at the MYAPS PSDAR meeting?
- Will NRC require and verify analysis of potential aircraft accidents involving the MYAPS SFP?

In isolating the SFP to facilitate decommissioning activities, the licensee has built an open-sided platform to house a bank of radiators and electric fans next to the SFP building. This arrangement is supplemented by a trailer mounted back-up generator, which is partially supported by wheels and partially supported by what appears to be a cribwork of wooden blocking.

- Has NRC verified that this SFP cooling system is seismically qualified?
- Has NRC verified that this system is bounded by MYAPS IPE for Severe Accident Vulnerabilities? For example, how would the radiators, fans, and trailer fare in a tornado? Could the trailer become a wind-driven missile?

*How much does it weigh?*

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We are sensitive to the licensee's financial interest in securing a speedy resolution to safety issues regarding the SFP.

We are also sensitive to the fact that the SFP is now the only MYAPS source to present immediate and significant risk of catastrophic off-site radiation release.

Weighing the two, we are certain you will agree, proves no contest. The licensee claims that MYAPC simply cannot afford the personnel required to maintain full emergency response capability. This is, at best, disingenuous. MYAPC's owner-companies are entitled to recover legitimate costs through their appropriate state utility regulators. Thus it is more a question if the public can afford an extra measure of protection in a matter where the consequences of error can be so grave.

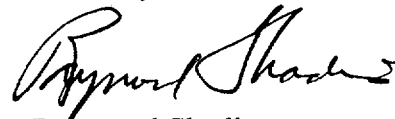
If the NRC cannot agree to postpone and make the June 9<sup>th</sup> Public Meeting accessible, then we ask that :

1. A video tape be made of the meeting, and a duplicate of that tape be provided to us together with any written materials generated for, or by, the meeting.
2. A second meeting be scheduled in the plant vicinity with adequate public notice to review the content of the first meeting, and to address new issues relevant to SFP hazards consideration.

Please forgive the last-minute character of this letter. It is prepared in haste for reasons obvious from our comments on adequate notice.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



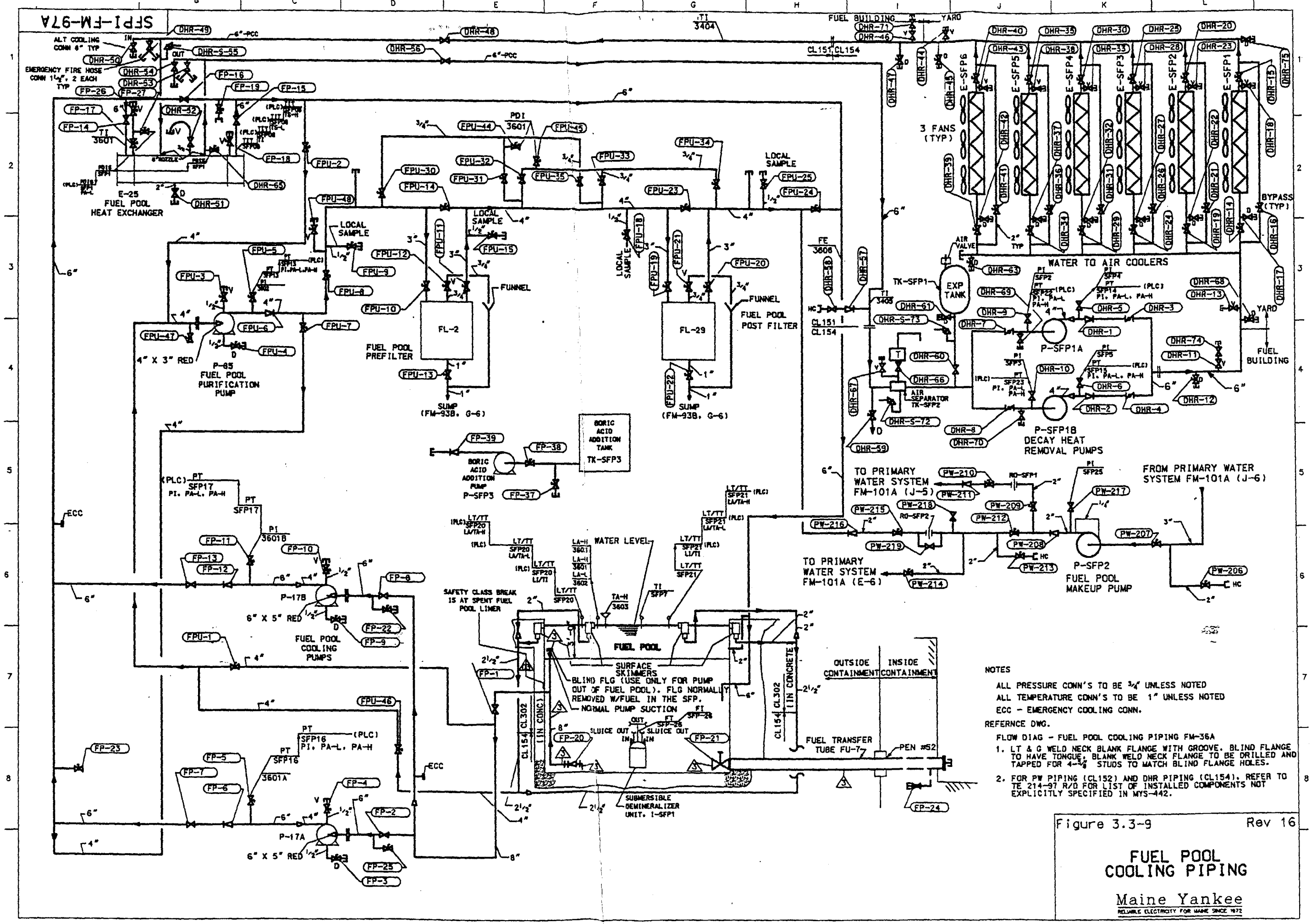
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NRC Commissioners  
Senator Olympia Snowe  
Representative Tom Allen  
NRC, Seymour Weiss  
NRC/OIG George Mulley

**References**

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- (b) USNRC Generic Issue Letter 82
- (c) MYAPS Final Safety Analysis Volume II, Part 14 at 14.16 – 14.17.3, Fuel Handling Incident
- (d) USNRC IE Bulletin No. 80-11 – Masonry Wall Design
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- (g) MYAPC Letter to USNRC, Resolution of Concerns Regarding Spent Fuel Pool Wall, dated December 11, 1985
- (h) USNRC Trip Report, Visit to Framingham, Ma. To Examine Plant Spent Fuel Pool Masonry Wall Failure Consequence Analysis. Conclusions Listed. , A Thadani, P. Sears, dated January 7, 1987
- (i) USNRC Issued Bulletin 94-01, Potential Fuel Pool Drain-down Caused By Inadequate Maintenance Practices at Dresden Unit 1, dated April 14, 1994
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- (k) Letter to USNRC from MYAPC, Defueled Emergency Plan and 10CFR50.54(q) Exemption Request, Dated November 6, 1997
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- (m) Letter to MYAPC from USNRC, Request for Additional Information for Exemption from Financial Protection Requirement Limits, dated- April 9, 1998
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NOTES

ALL PRESSURE CONN'S TO BE 3/4" UNLESS NOTED

ALL TEMPERATURE CONN'S TO BE 1" UNLESS NOTED

ECC - EMERGENCY COOLING CONN.

REFERENCE DWG.

FLOW DIAG - FUEL POOL COOLING PIPING FM-36A

1. LT & G WELD NECK BLANK FLANGE WITH GROOVE. BLIND FLANGE TO HAVE TONGUE. BLANK WELD NECK FLANGE TO BE DRILLED AND TAPPED FOR 4-1/8" STUDS TO MATCH BLIND FLANGE HOLES.

2. FOR PW PIPING (CL152) AND DHR PIPING (CL154). REFER TO TE 214-97 R/O FOR LIST OF INSTALLED COMPONENTS NOT EXPLICITLY SPECIFIED IN MYS-442.

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**FUEL POOL COOLING PIPING**

Maine Yankee

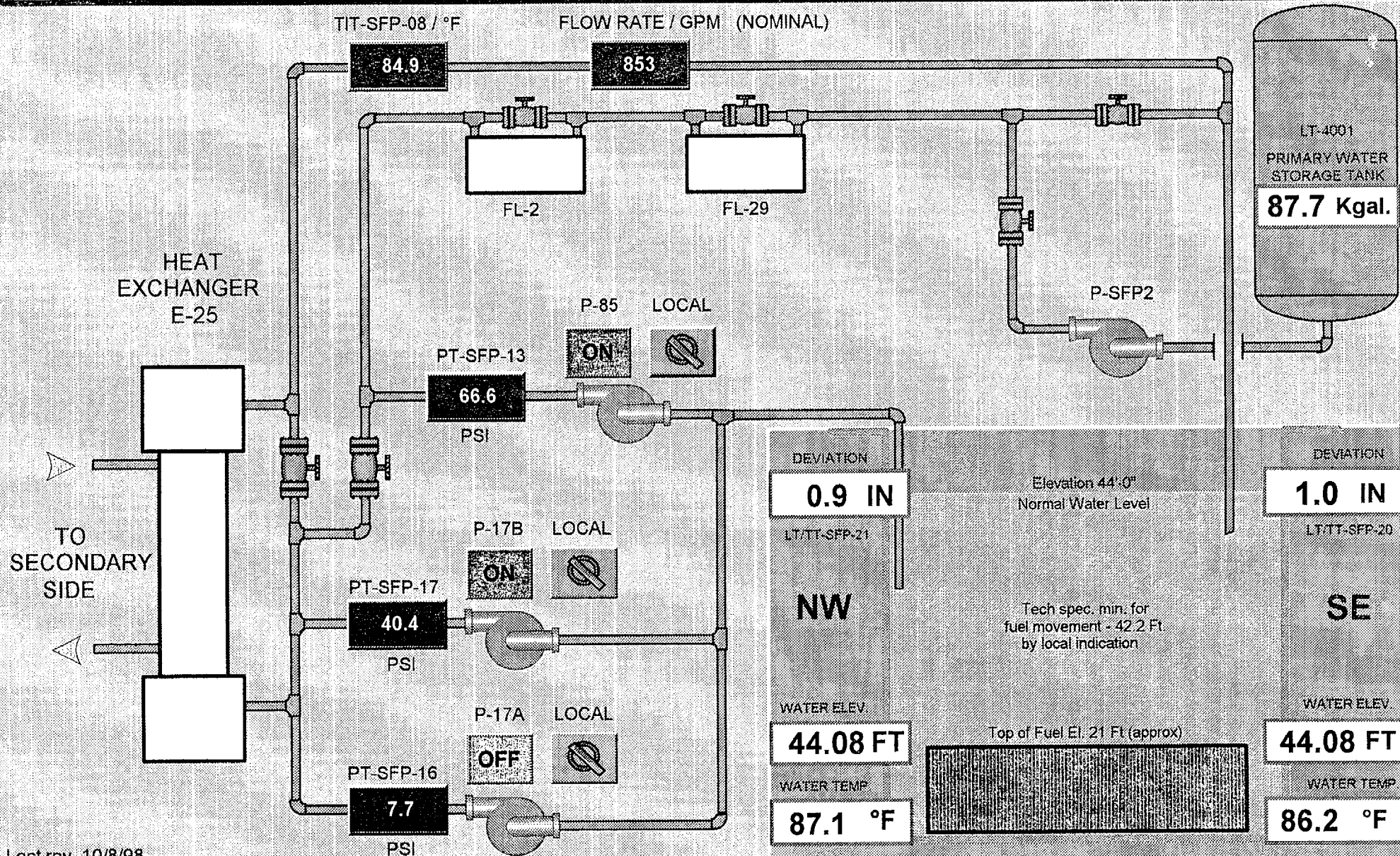
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## PRIMARY COOLING

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PWR. MON.

BUILD. VENT.

RAD. MON.

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FIRE PUMPS

PV STACK



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## BUS - SFP1 480 VOLT LOAD

11:33:52

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VOLTAGE PHASE B TO C	496 VOLTS	0 VOLTS	494 VOLTS
VOLTAGE PHASE C TO A	493 VOLTS	0 VOLTS	495 VOLTS
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CURRENT PHASE B	354 AMPS	0 AMPS	273 AMPS
CURRENT PHASE C	371 AMPS	0 AMPS	294 AMPS
ACTIVE POWER PHASE A KW	100	0	67
ACTIVE POWER PHASE B KW	83	0	62
ACTIVE POWER PHASE C KW	95	0	68
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SEC. COOL

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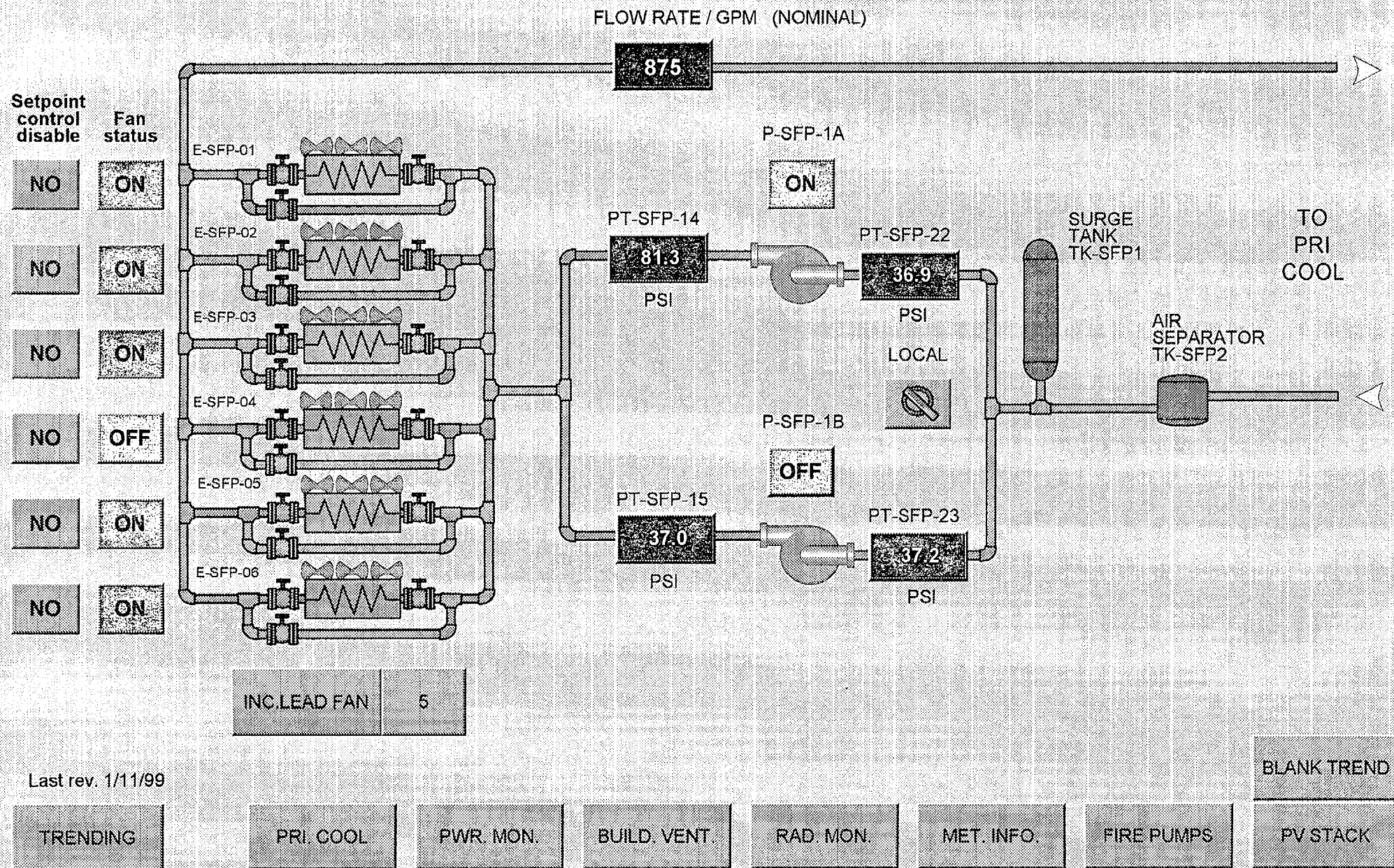
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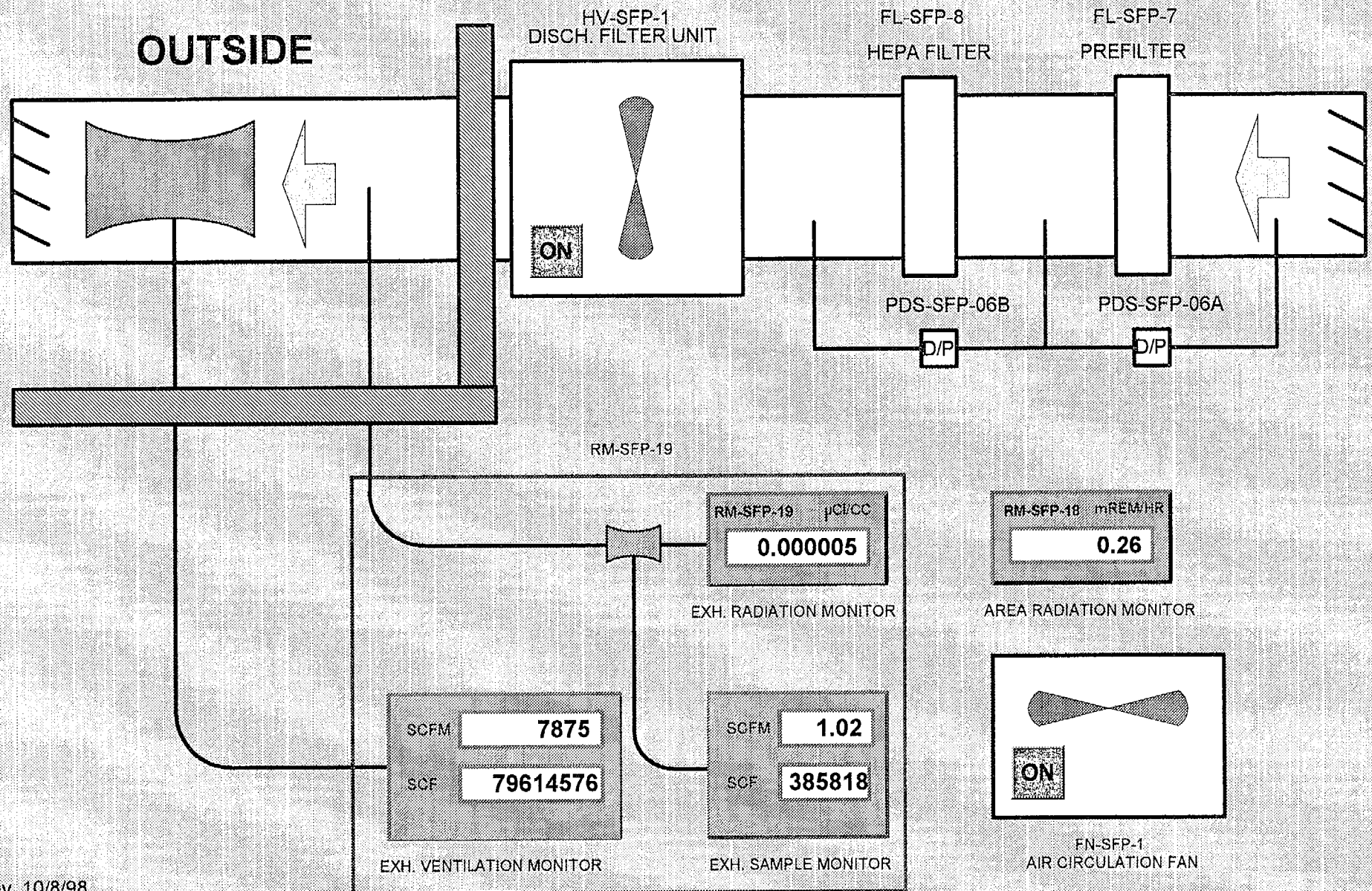
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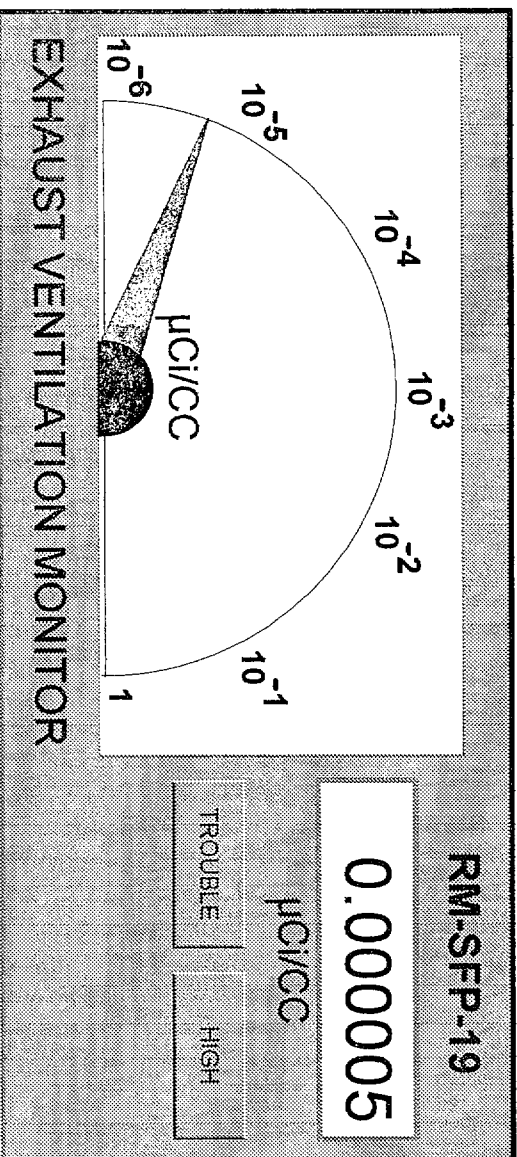
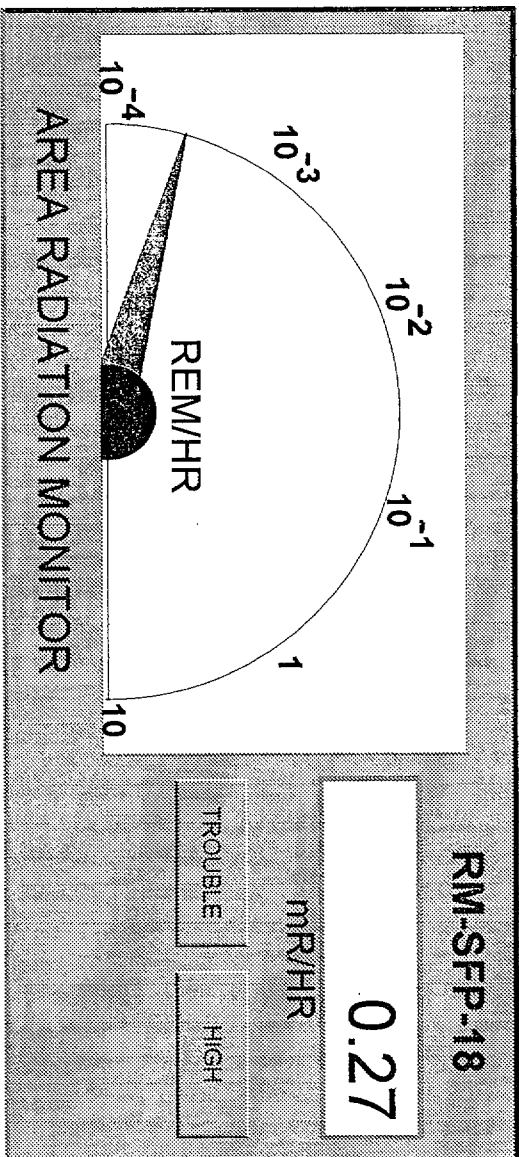
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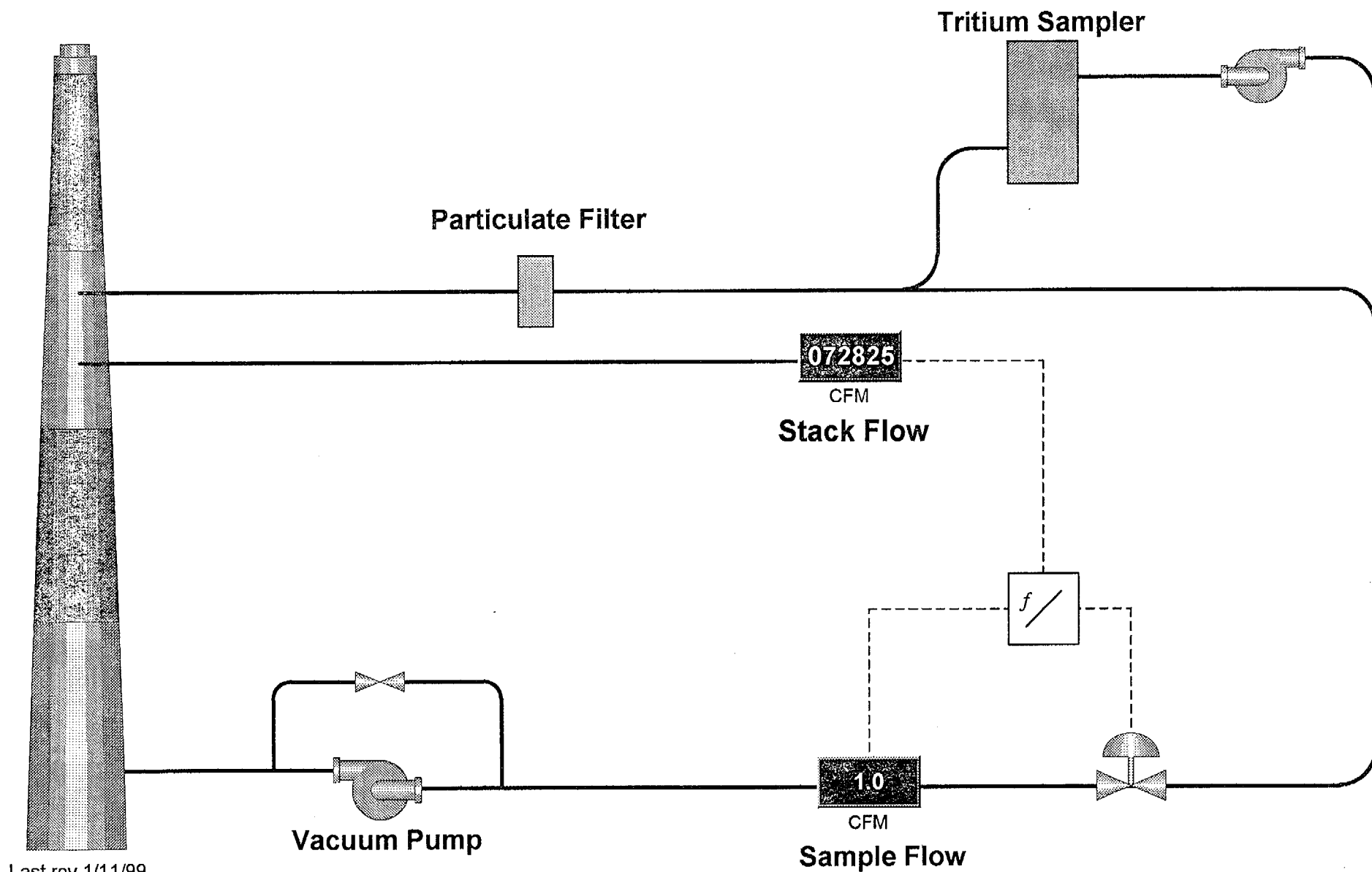
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# PLANT VENT STACK SAMPLING SYSTEM

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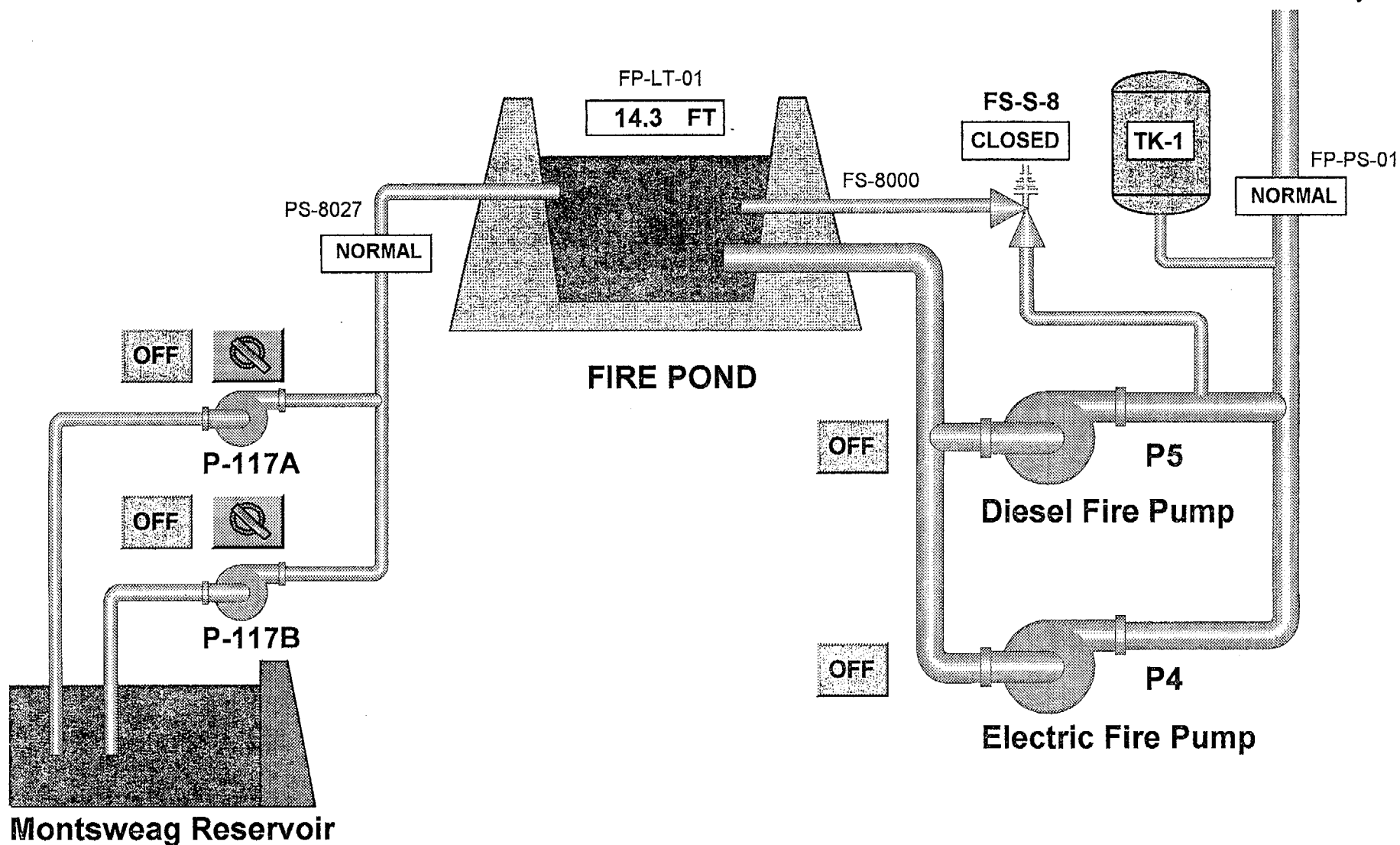
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PWR. MON.

BUILD. VENT.

RAD. MON.

MET. INFO

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MASTER  
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ALARM GRID

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TIT-SFP-08 DEADBAND 2.0

## FAN SETPOINTS

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CURRENT LEAD FAN

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INCREMENT LEAD FAN

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