

***South Carolina  
Electric and Gas Company  
Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station***

**Spent Fuel Pool Rerack Presentation**

**August 28, 2001**

Enclosure 2

# Agenda

April Rice

- Introduction
- Current Pool Configuration
- Technical Overview
- Project Schedule
- Technical Specification Revisions
- Summary

# Introduction

- South Carolina Electric and Gas
  - April Rice, Manager, Plant Support Engineering
  - Bill Herwig, Supervisor, Reactor Engineering / Nuclear Fuel Management
  - Dale Krause, Project Manager, Design Engineering
  - Phil Rose, Engineer, Nuclear Licensing and Operating Experience

# Introduction

- Holtec International
  - Dr. Alan Soler, Executive Vice President & Vice President of Engineering
  - Dr. Stanley Turner, Senior Vice President & Chief Nuclear Scientist
  - Dr. Indresh Rampall, Principal Engineer
  - Kris Cummings, Associate Engineer
  - Scott Pellet, Project Manager

# Introduction

- Why Rerack?
  - Available open pool space
  - Final resolution of Boraflex issue
  - Cost beneficial deferment of dry storage
  - Full core offload capability extended to the Fall of 2018

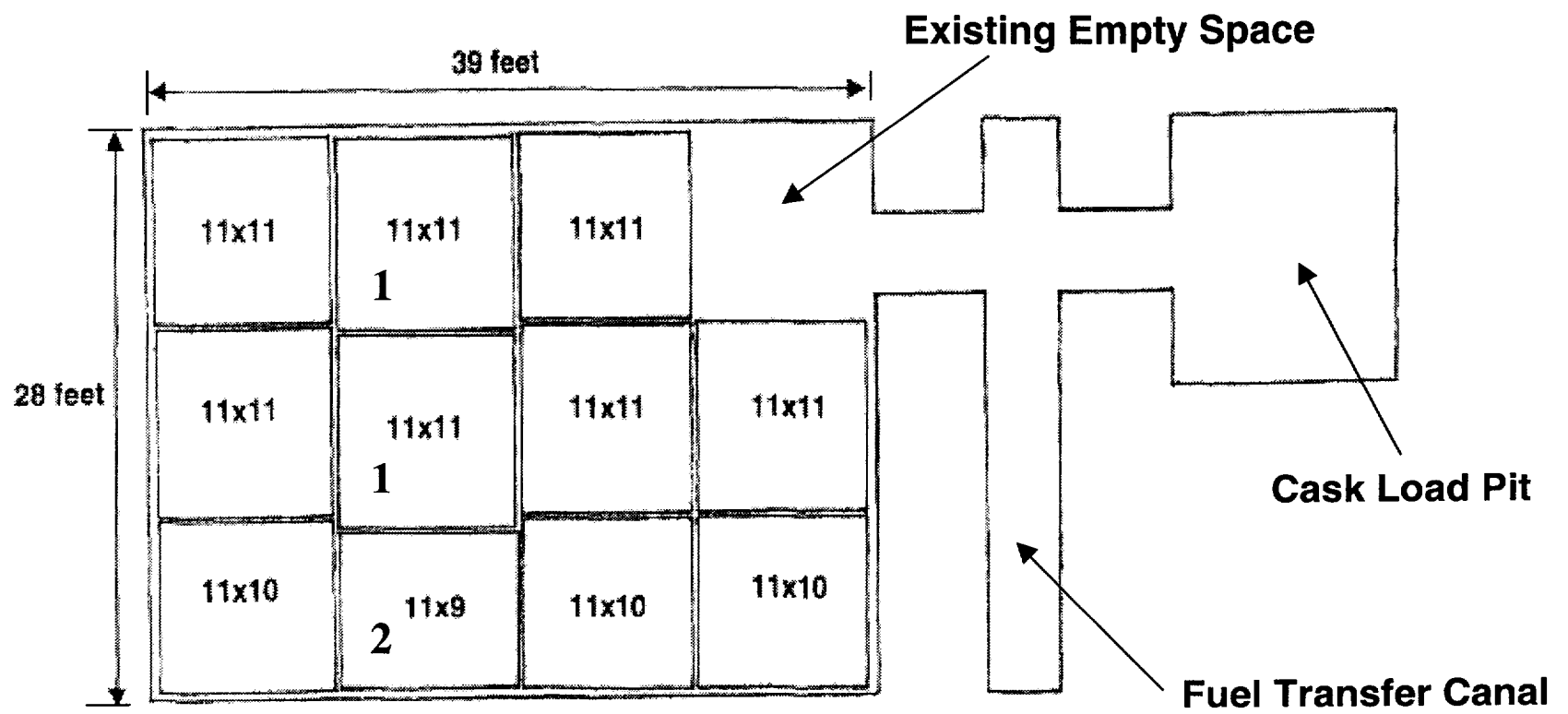
# Introduction

- Project will be accomplished with proven analytical methods, technology and supplier
- Project scope is consistent with current reracking projects
- Project schedule supports:
  - NRC 13 month review
  - Site installation window during Cycle 14

# Current Pool Configuration

Bill Herwig

- Current pool configuration includes 11 racks
  - Three region pool
    - Two regions with Boraflex poison
    - One region with no poison
- Racks were supplied by Joseph Oat Co.



## **PLAN - CURRENT SFP RACKS**

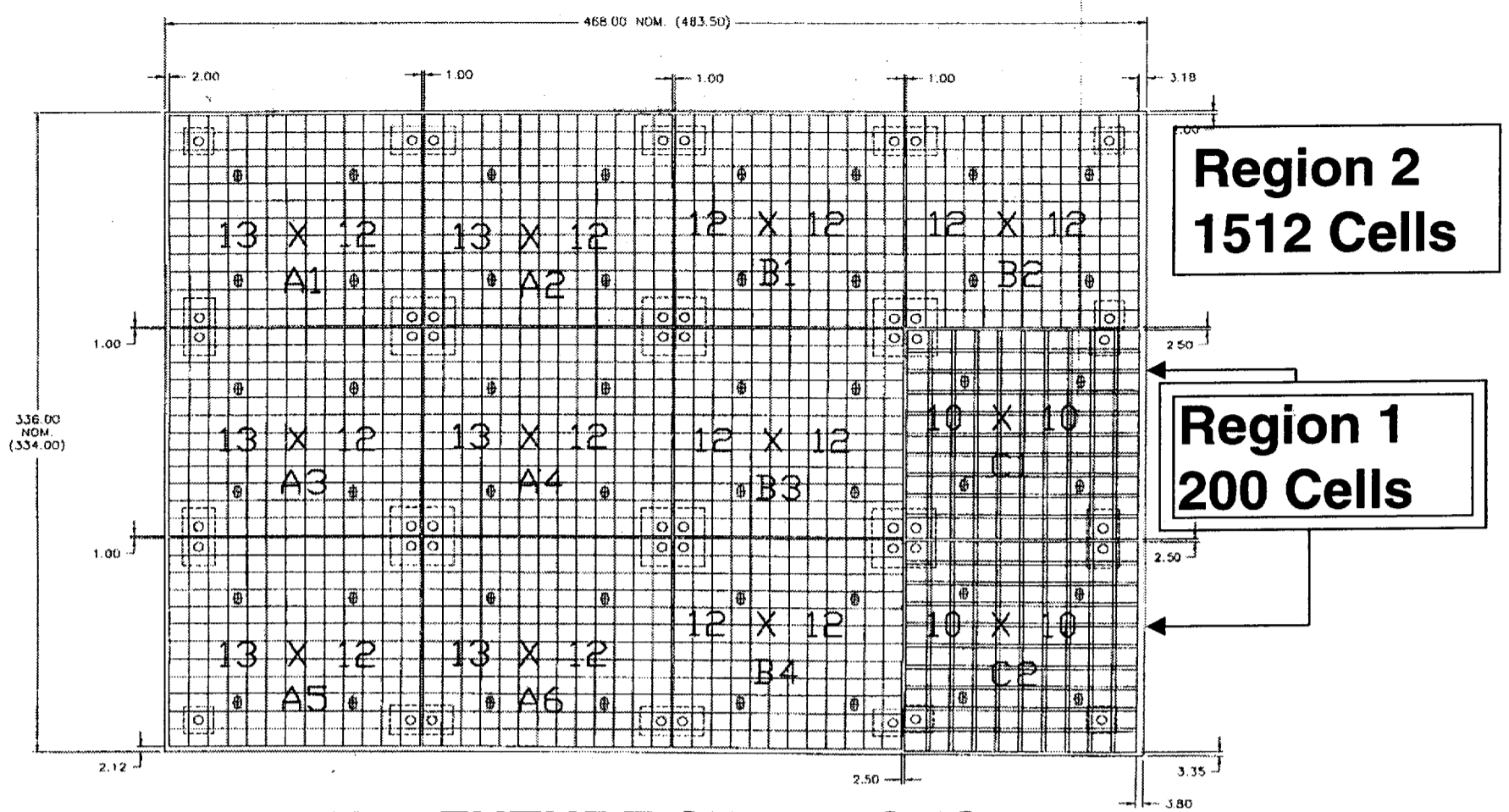
- **11 Racks**
- **1276 Cells**

# Current Pool Configuration

- Current inventory of 769 fuel assemblies
  - Westinghouse fuel design (Various 17X17 Designs, Standard thru Performance +)
- Full core offload capability until the end of Cycle 17 in the Spring of 2008

# New Configuration

- Twelve new racks supplied by Holtec International
- Number of cells increased to 1712
- Two region pool with Boral poison
- Full core offload capability extended to the Fall of 2018



## PLAN - FUTURE SFP RACKS

- 12 Racks
- 1712 Cells (436 Additional)

# Technical Overview

- Criticality
- Radiological
- Thermal-Hydraulic
- Structural/Seismic
- Mechanical Accidents
- Installation

# Criticality Analysis

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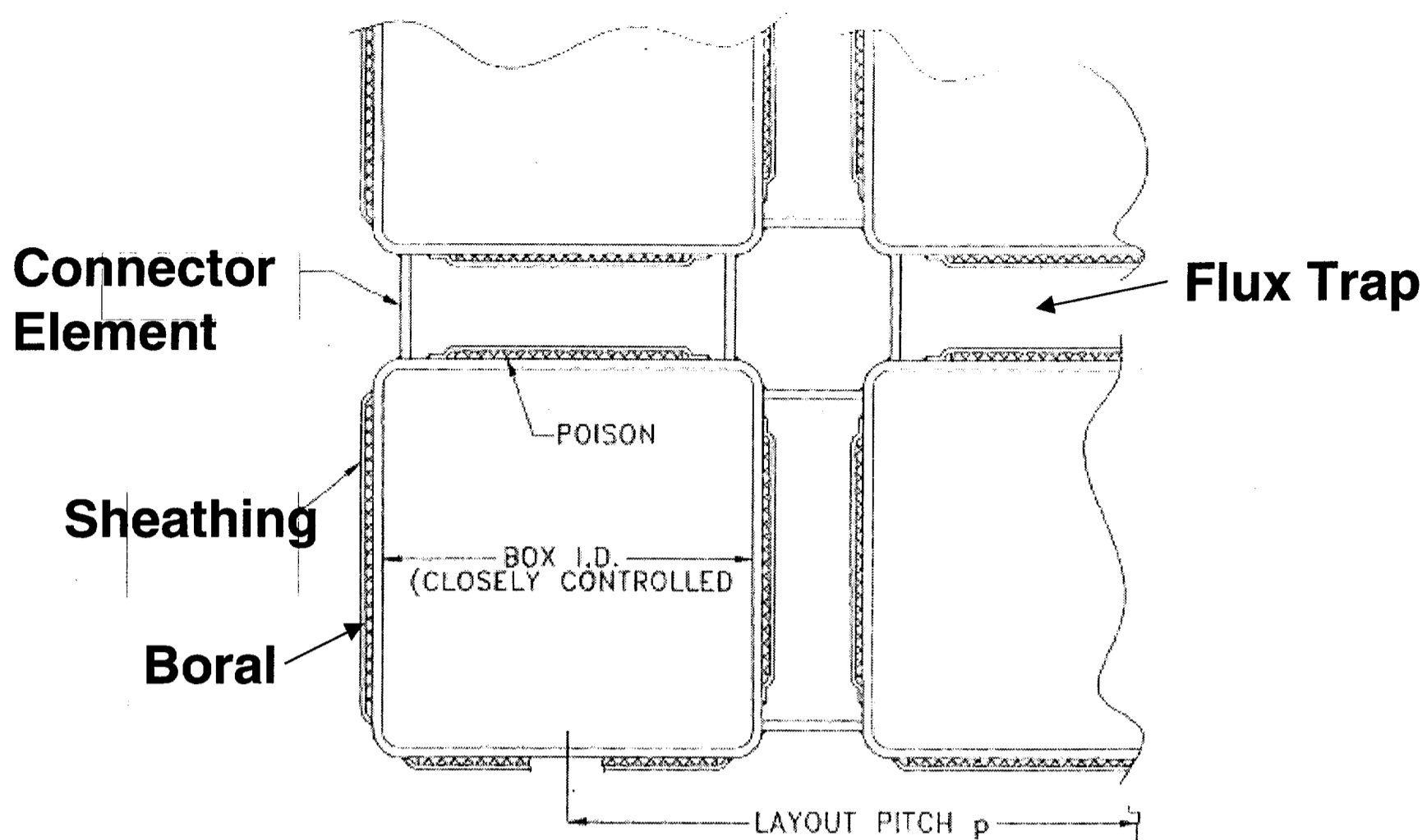
- Codes Used
- Region I
- Region II
- Manufacturing Tolerances
- Accident Conditions
- Summary

## Codes Used

- CASMO-4: Used for fuel depletion analyses during core operation. Restart the calculation in the storage rack geometry to yield  $k_{inf}$  for the storage rack.
- MCNP4a: Used to accurately represent accident conditions in a 3-D geometry.
- KENO5a: Used for independent verification calculations.

# Region 1

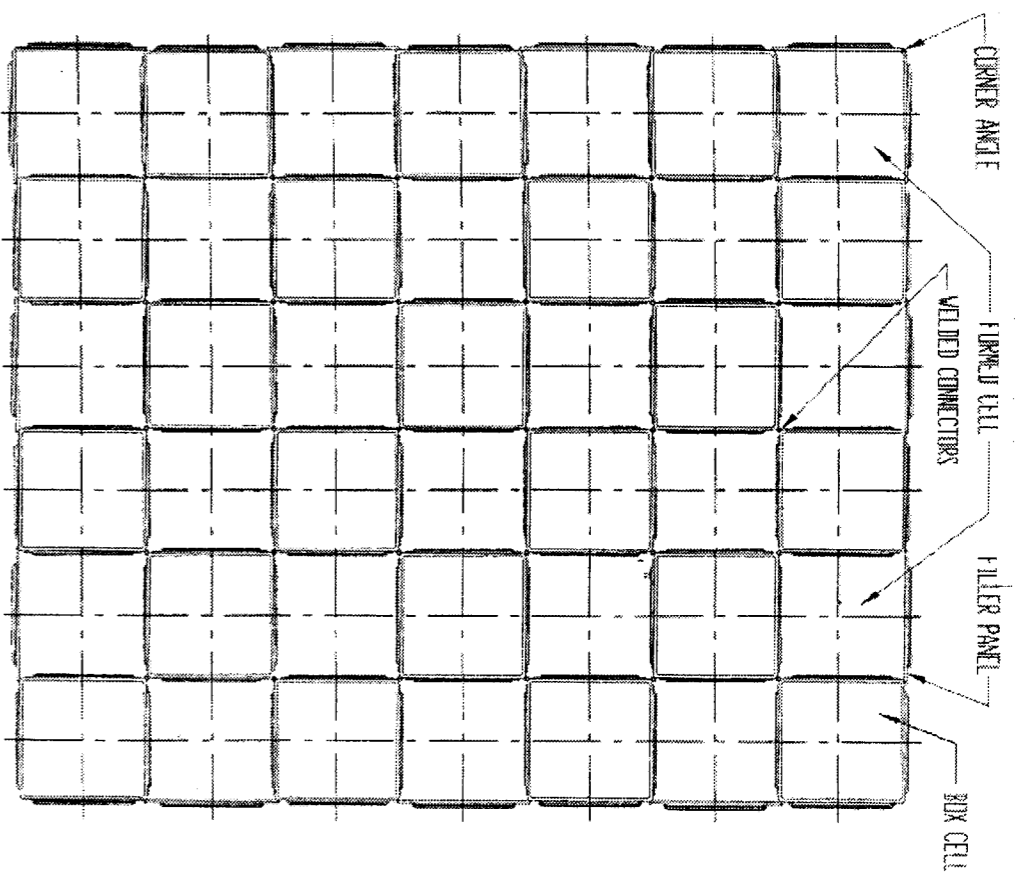
- Qualified for storage of fresh fuel up to 4.95 wt%  $^{235}\text{U}$  nominal initial enrichment.
- Maximum  $k_{\text{eff}}$  includes manufacturing tolerances and margin for uncertainty in the reactivity calculations (i.e. bias uncertainty and calc. statistics).
- Maximum  $k_{\text{eff}}$  of 0.9333



**PLAN - REGION 1 CELL ASSEMBLAGE**

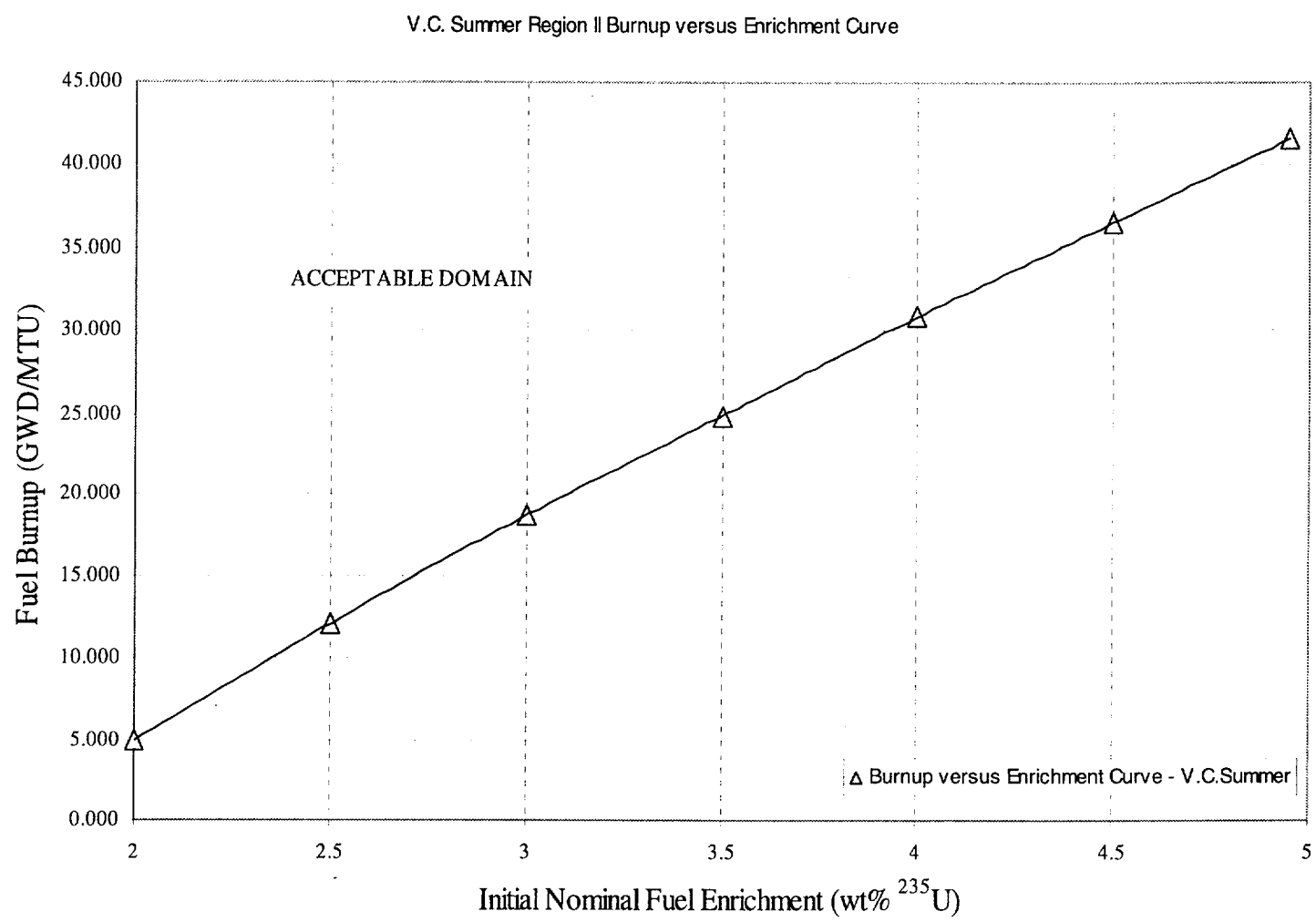
## Region 2

- Qualified for storage of fuel up to 4.95 wt%  $^{235}\text{U}$  nominal initial enrichment that have acquired a specified burnup (42 GWD/MTU).
- Use of Reactivity Equivalent Enrichments.
- Uncertainty in Depletion Calculations (5% of the reactivity decrement).
- Axial Burnup Distribution.
- Reactivity Effect of WABA, BPRA, IFBA and Erbia.
- Burnup versus Enrichment Curve.
- Maximum  $k_{\text{eff}}$  of 0.9485.
- Maximum  $k_{\text{eff}}$  includes manufacturing tolerances and margin for uncertainty in the reactivity calculations.



**PLAN - TYPICAL REGION 2 ARRAY OF CELLS**

**Figure 1**



# Manufacturing Tolerances

- $\text{UO}_2$  density
- Enrichment
- Box I.D. and Pitch
- Box Wall Thickness
- Boral width
- B-10 loading
- Water Gap (Region I only)

# Accident Conditions

- Temperature and Water Density Effects
- Eccentric Fuel Positioning
- Dropped Assembly – 3” Baseplate Deformation
- Lateral Rack Movement
- Abnormal Location of a Fuel Assembly
  - Mislocated fresh fuel assembly outside Region II rack. (407 ppm required)
  - Misloaded fresh fuel assembly in Region II rack. (347 ppm required)

# Summary

- Region I racks qualified for storage of fresh fuel with nominal enrichment up to 4.95 wt%  $^{235}\text{U}$ .
- Region II racks qualified for storage of fuel with initial enrichment and burnup combinations within the acceptable domain in Figure 1.
- Minimum soluble boron requirement of 500 ppm required for accident conditions.
- Effective neutron multiplication factor ( $k_{\text{eff}}$ ) is less than 0.95 with a 95% probability at a 95% confidence level.

# RADIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT

Dr. Stanley E. Turner

- Shielding Evaluations (Dose Rates)
  - At specified points near pool
  - Above pool surface (w/fuel assembly in transit)
- Offsite Doses from Fuel Handling Accidents
  - Accident in Fuel Handling Building
  - Accident in Reactor Building

# RADIOLOGICAL SUMMARY

- Reduced decay time (100 hours to 72 hours) yields higher dose rates
- Offsite doses remain less than limits
- Dose rates remain acceptable (Zone Limits)
- 6 –12 person-rem estimated during installation
- Fuel Transfer Canal area behind gate requires aged fuel in closest rack

# FUEL HANDLING ACCIDENT

- RG 1.25 Methodology
- Conservative and limiting design inputs
- Number of failed rods: 314
- Offsite doses Increase due to reduced decay time, but remain below Regulatory limits w/safeguards

# FUEL HANDLING ACCIDENT DOSES, REM

	<u>Post-Mod</u>	<u>Limit</u>
• Fuel Handling Bldg.		
- Thyroid	13.0	75
- Whole Body	0.68	6
- Skin	3.02	
• Reactor Bldg.		
- Thyroid	259*	75
- Whole Body	0.68	6
- Skin	3.02	

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\* Without Safeguards (Isolation)

# SHIELDING EVALUATIONS

- Conservative and limiting assumptions
- Increased burnup and reduced cooling time
- Source terms: SAS2H-ORIGEN-S/ARP
- Dose rate calculations: QAD-CGGP
- Radiation Zone classifications unchanged



# Thermal-Hydraulic

Dr. Indresh Rampall

- Scenarios and Limits
- Transient Pool Bulk Temperature Calculations
- Transient Time-to-Boil and Boil-off Rate Analysis
- Local Water and Cladding Temperature Analyses

# Scenarios and Limits

Normal Conditions – Peak Bulk Temperature Limited to 165°F

- Partial Core Offload – One SFPCS Cooling Loop Active (i.e., single active failure)
- Full Core Offload – Two SFPCS Cooling Loops Active

Upset Conditions – Peak Bulk Temperature Limited to 170°F

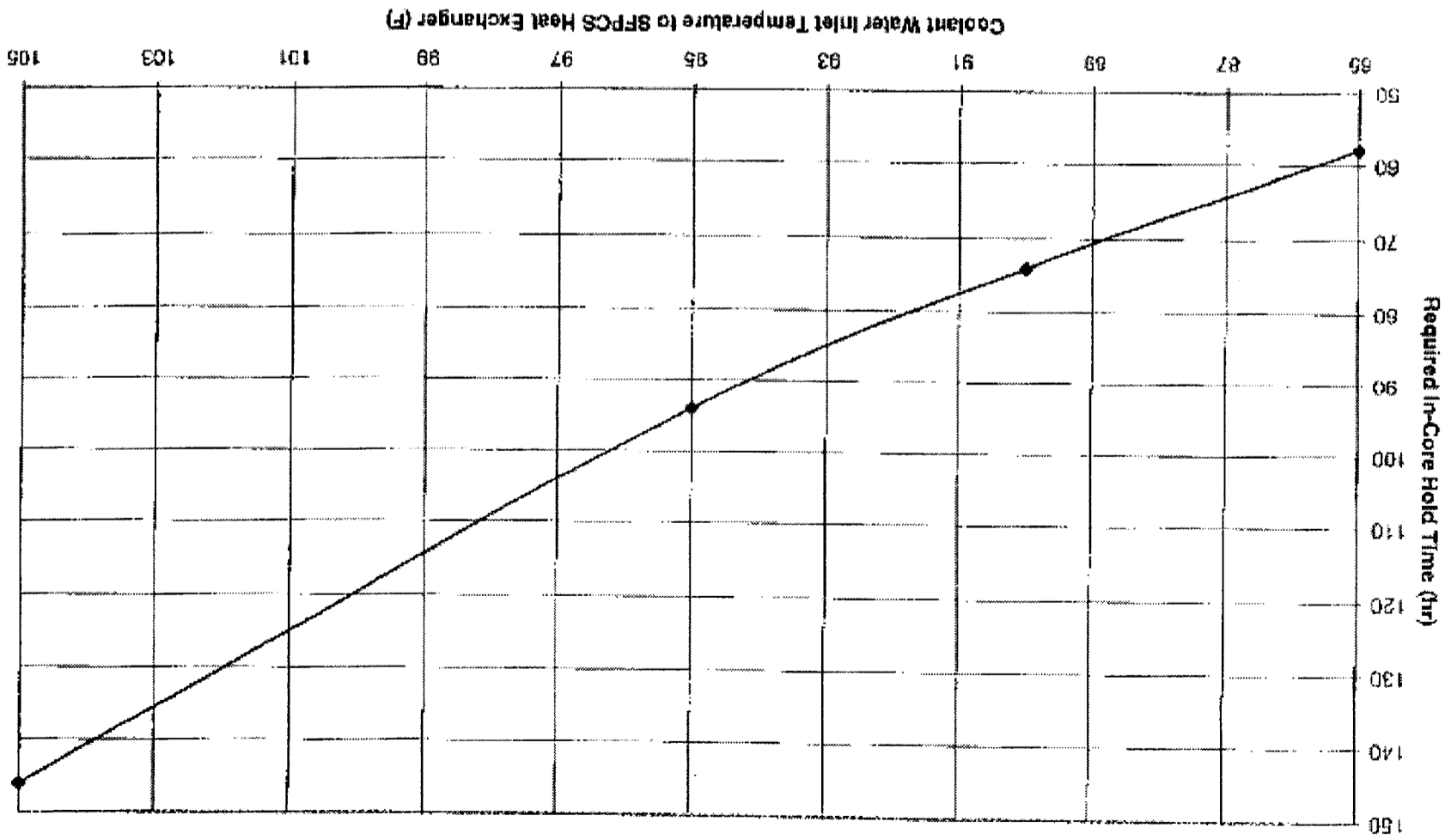
- Full Core Offload – One SFPCS Cooling Loop Active (i.e., single active failure), 2400 gpm SFP Flow Rate, Varying CCW Temperature (85-105°F). Flow Testing Performed to Confirm 2400 gpm Capacity.
- Abnormal Offload – Full Core Offloaded 36 Days After Normal Refueling, Two SFPCS Cooling Loops Active

# Transient Bulk Temperature Calculations

- Decay Heats Calculated Using the ORIGEN2 Program From ORNL
- Fuel Transfer to Pool Modeled as Uniform Rate for 20 Hours
- Credit for Passive Heat Losses Included Using Holtec-Developed Model
- Holtec Passive Heat Loss Model Benchmarked Against Test Data

Scenario	Number of Active Cooling Loops	Maximum Bulk Temperature (°F)	Bulk Temperature Limit (°F)	Minimum In-Core Hold Time (hrs)
Partial Core	1	152.53	165 (normal)	72
Full Core	2	150.97	165 (normal)	72
Full Core 105 °F CCW	1	169.90	170 (upset)	146
Full Core 95 °F CCW	1	169.57	170 (upset)	94
Full Core 90 °F CCW	1	169.75	170 (upset)	74
Full Core 85 °F CCW	1	169.88	170 (upset)	58
Abnormal Full Core	2	149.53	170 (upset)	72

Required In-Core Hold Time vs. CW Temperature  
Full Core Offload with One Cooling Loop Scenarios



# **TRANSIENT TIME-TO-BOIL CALCULATIONS**

- **Decay Heats Calculated Using the ORIGEN2 Program From ORNL**
- **SFPCS Failure Assumed Coincident with Peak Bulk Temperature**
- **Credit for Passive Heat Losses Included Using Holtec-Developed Model**
- **No credit is Taken for Makeup Water during Heatup to Boiling**
- **Time to Boil Exceeds 3 Hours for All Normal Condition Scenarios and 2 Hours for All Upset Condition Scenarios**

## **STEADY-STATE LOCAL WATER AND CLADDING TEMPERATURE ANALYSES**

- **Peak Local Water Temperatures Determined using Three Dimensional Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) Modeling**
- **Hydraulic Resistance of Dropped Assembly Cell Blockage on Every Cell**
- **Hydraulic Resistance of Blocked Baseplate Holes on Pedestal Cells**
- **Maximum Local Water Temperature is More Than 45°F Below Saturation Temperature**
- **Peak Local Fuel Cladding Temperatures Determined via Bounding Analytic Calculation Using Laminar Flow Heat Transfer Theory**
- **Fuel Cladding Superheat Calculated for Peak Burnup Levels**
- **Location of Peak Heat Flux (axial mid-height) and Location of Peak Local Water Temperature (cell exit) Assumed Coincident**
- **Maximum Local Cladding Temperature is Nearly 10°F Below Saturation Temperature**

# Structural/Seismic

Scott Pellet

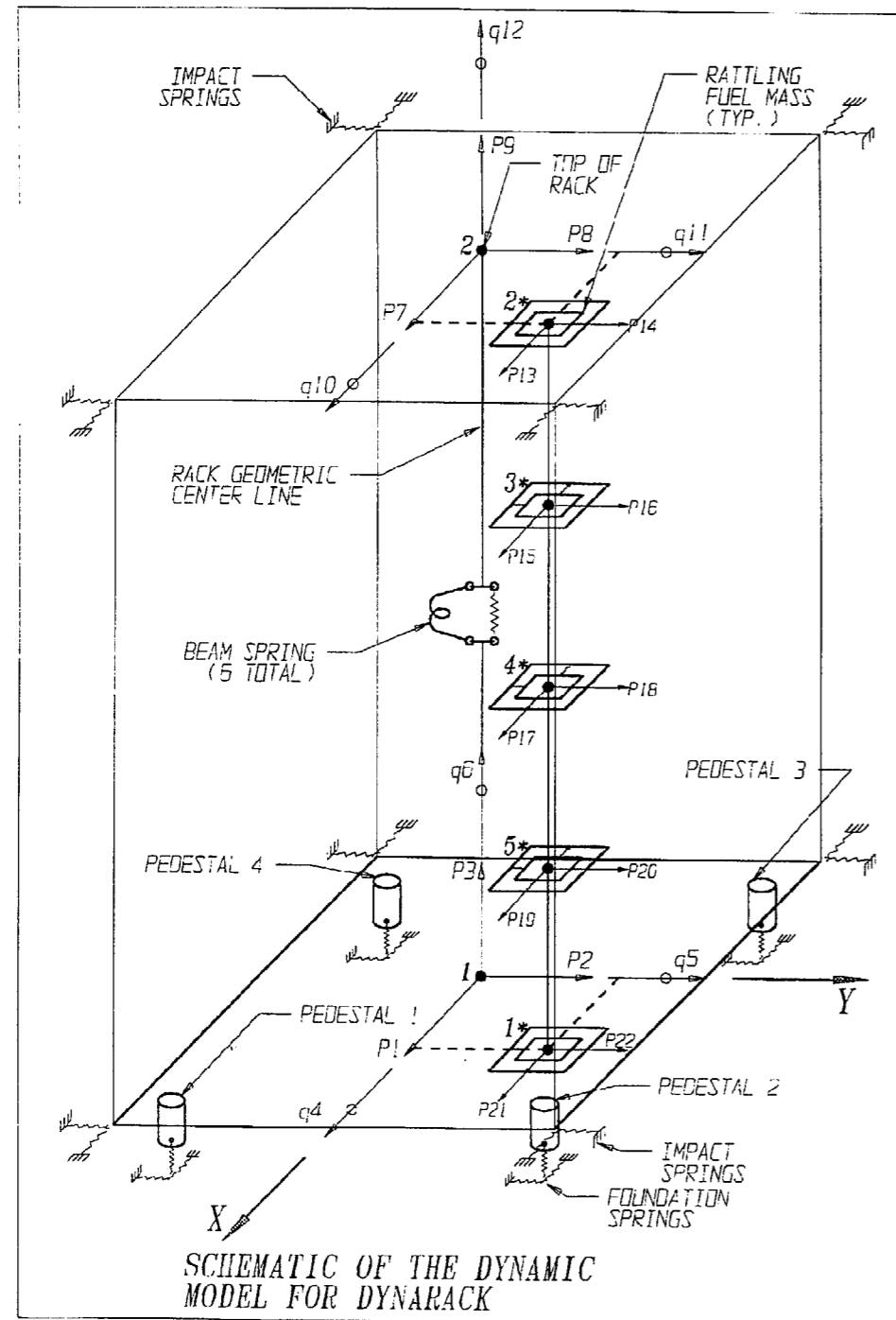
- Rack Structural Details
- Rack Evaluation Methodology
- Load & Stress Factor Results
- Pool Structure Assessment

# Rack Structural Details

- Region 1 vs. Region 2
- Cell walls, Baseplate, Sheathing – 304L
- Male Pedestals – SA 564-630
- Bearing Pads 304

# Rack Evaluation Methodology

- Time History Analysis - DYNARACK
- ASME NF Linear Class 3 Structures
- Multiple and Single Rack Simulations
- Load and Stress Factor Results

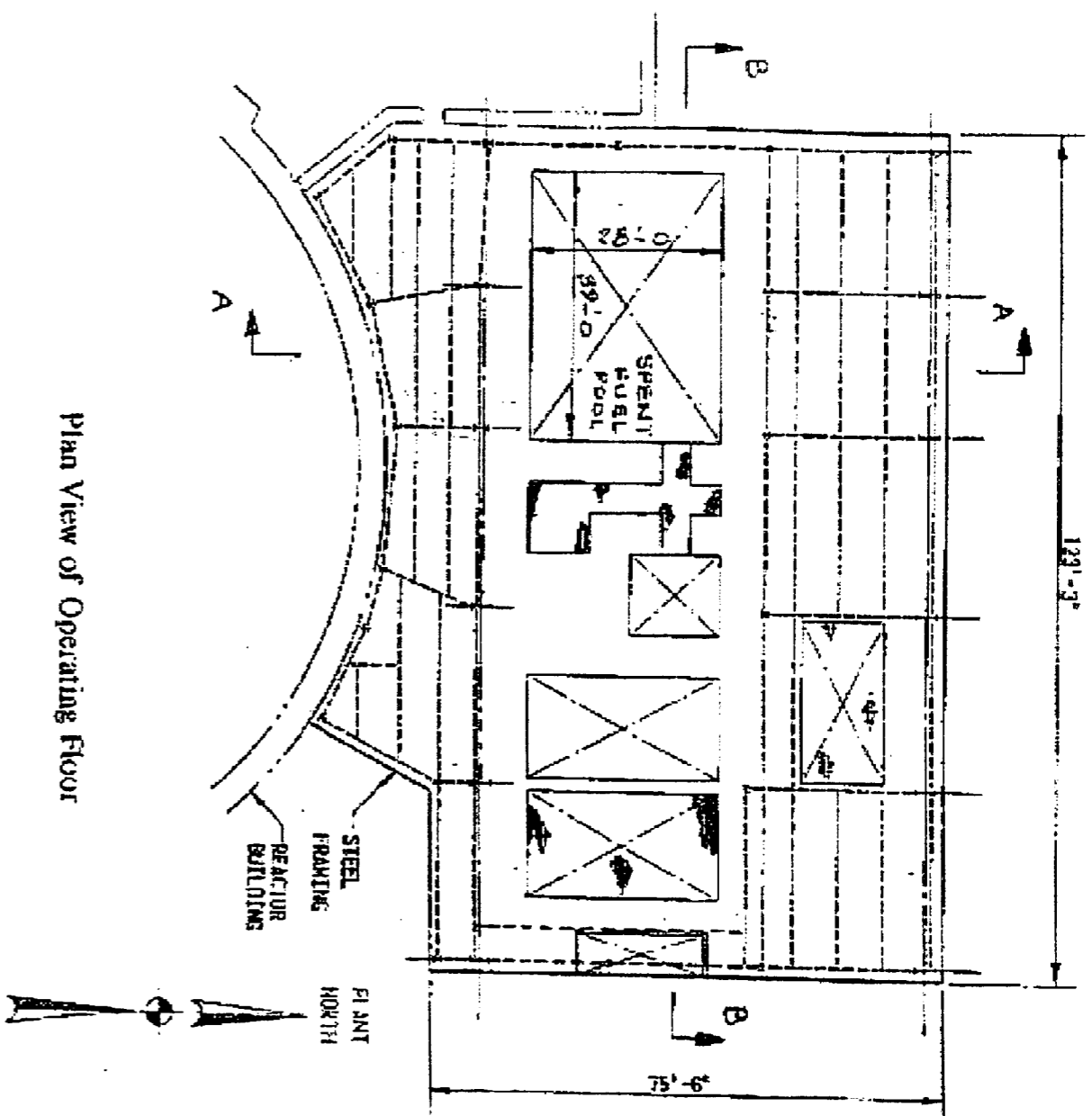


# Design Margin Results

Condition	Max. Values	Margin
Displacement	1.154"	50
Pedestal Impact	319 k	1.4
Cell Wall Stress	10,020 psi	1.5
Cell Base Weld	21,846 psi	1.3
Pedestal Weld	32,051 psi	1.2

# Pool Structure Assessment

- Overview of Structure
- Pseudo-Static Evaluation using ANSYS
- Pool Structure Evaluation Results
- Liner Integrity Assured



Plan View of Operating Floor

# Safety Factors for the SFP Structural Members

Member	Direction	Evaluation	Safety Factor	Critical Load Combination
Slab	E-W	Bending	1.24	LC 100
		Shear	1.05	LC 200
	N-S	Bending	1.26	LC 100
		Shear	2.35	LC 100
West Wall	Vertical	Bending	2.19	LC 200
		Shear	6.12	LC 100
	Horizontal	Bending	1.80	LC 200
		Shear	2.90	LC 200
North & South Walls	Vertical	Bending	1.14	LC 100
		Shear	5.77	LC 100

# Mechanical Accidents

- Ensure Structural Integrity of Racks and Spent Fuel Pool
- Develop Design Inputs for Criticality and Thermal-Hydraulic Evaluations
- LS-DYNA3D Models
  - 3 Fuel Drop Scenarios
  - 1 Rack Drop Scenario
- Stuck Fuel Assembly

# Rack Installation

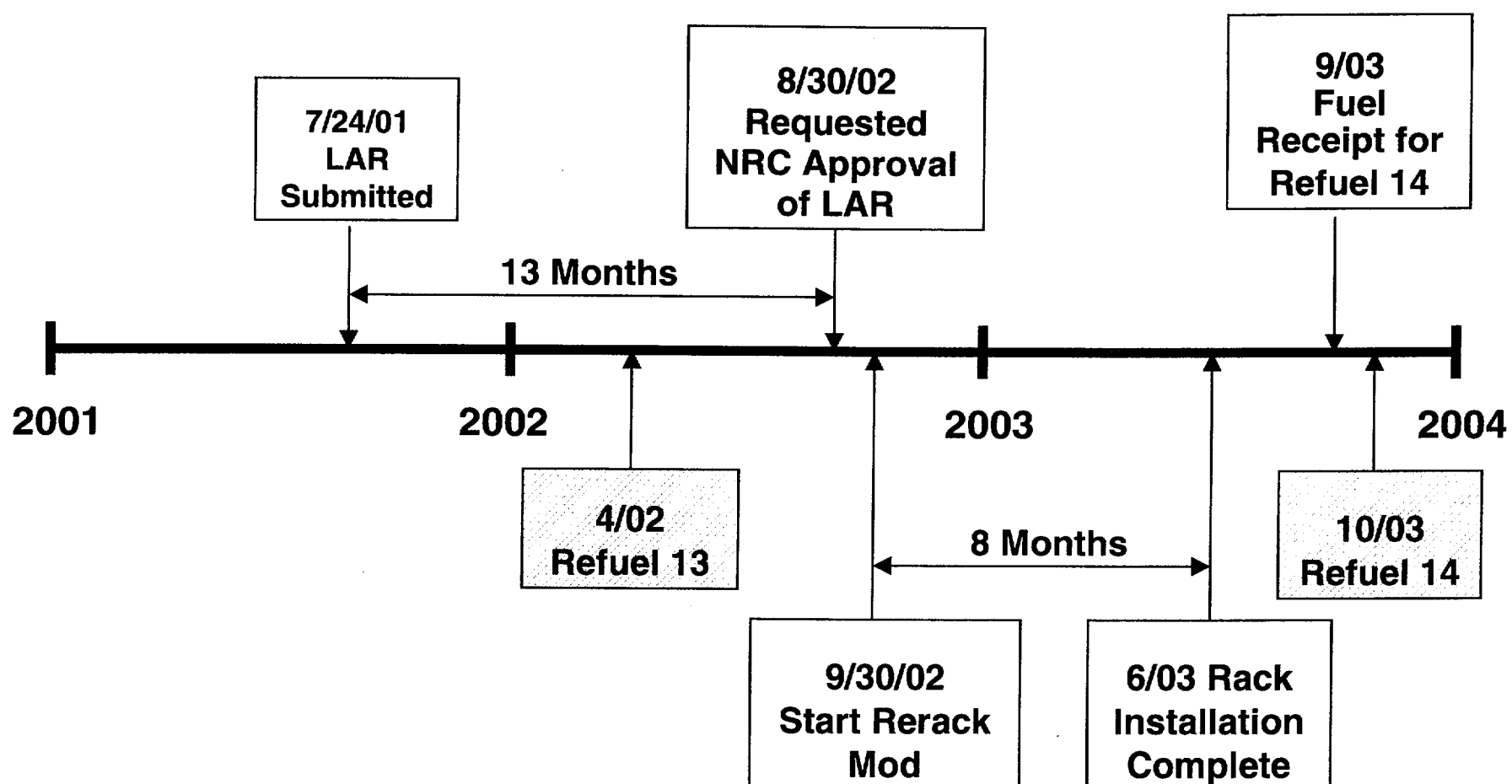
- Defense in Depth Approach
- Temporary Crane per CMAA 70
- Rigging per NUREG 0612
- Heavy Load Paths
- Rack Shuffle Plan
- Cask Pit Rack
- Sparger Pipe Modification

# Project Activities Completed

Dale Krause

- Options/Feasibility Study
  - Open Project Work Order
  - Notify NRC of Rerack Plans
  - Issue Purchase Spec for Quote
  - Award Fixed Price Contract
  - Complete Analyses, LAR
  - File License Amendment Request
- July 99
  - Dec 99
  - Jan 00
  - June 00
  - Aug 00
  - June 01
  - July 01

# RERACK SCHEDULE



# Tech Spec Changes

Phil Rose

- Affected Sections
  - 3.7 Plant Systems
  - 3.9 Refueling Operations
  - 5.3, 5.6 Design Features
- Criticality
  - 3 Regions to 2 Regions
  - 1276 to 1712 storage capacity
  - 500 ppm Boron now required in SFP water
  - Burnup versus enrichment figure
  - Maximum nominal enrichment 4.95 w/o

# Tech Spec Changes

- Thermal Hydraulic
  - Min. Incore Hold Time 100 hrs to  $\geq 72$  hrs
  - Incore Hold Time related to CCW temp
- Other
  - Move specs from Refueling Operations to Plant Systems section -
  - Bases sections also affected

# Summary

- Project will be accomplished with proven analytical methods, technology and supplier
- Project scope is consistent with current reracking projects
- Request for Additional Information
  - 30 Calendar Day Turnaround
- Project schedule supports:
  - NRC 13 month review
  - Site installation window during Cycle 14