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6.2.1 CONTAINMENT FUNCTIONAL DESIGN

REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES

Primary - Containment Systems Branch (CSB)

Secondary - See secondary review responsibilities of the seven SRP sections listed below for the various containment types and aspects.

INTRODUCTION

The CSB reviews information regarding the functional capability of the reactor containment presented in Section 6.2.1 of the applicant's safety analysis report (SAR). The containment encloses the reactor system and is the final barrier against the release of significant amounts of radioactive fission products in the event of an accident. The containment structure must be capable of withstanding, without loss of function, the pressure and temperature conditions resulting from postulated loss-of-coolant, steam line or feedwater line break accidents. The containment structure must also maintain functional integrity in the long term following a postulated accident; i.e., it must remain a low leakage barrier against the release of fission products for as long as postulated accident conditions require.

The design and sizing of containment systems are largely based on the pressure and temperature conditions which result from release of the reactor coolant in the event of a loss-of-coolant accident (LOCA). The containment design basis includes the effects of stored energy in the reactor coolant system, decay energy, and energy from other sources such as the secondary system, and metal-water reactions including the recombination of hydrogen and oxygen. The containment system is not required to be a complete and independent safeguard against a LOCA by itself, but functions to contain any fission products released while the emergency core cooling system cools the reactor core.

The evaluation of a containment functional design includes calculation of the various effects associated with the postulated rupture in the primary or secondary coolant system piping. The subsequent thermodynamic effects in the containment resulting from the release of the coolant mass and energy are determined from a solution of the incremental space and time-dependent energy, mass, and momentum

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equations. The basic functional design requirements for containment are given in General Design Criteria 16 and 50 in Appendix A to 10 CFR Part 50. General Design Criterion 50, among other things, requires that consideration be given to the potential consequences of degraded engineered safety features, such as the containment heat removal system and the emergency core cooling system, the limitations in defining accident phenomena, and the conservatism of calculational models and input parameters, in assessing containment design margins.

General Design Criteria 52 and 53 provide design requirements to assure that the design can accommodate a periodic integrated leakage rate testing at design pressures, and to assure that the design permits periodic inspections and appropriate surveillance programs. The basic functional design requirements for a leak tight containment barrier for piping systems penetrating the primary reactor containment are given in General Design Criteria 54 thru 57. The General Design Criteria provide design requirements for the installation of containment isolation valves on piping lines that penetrate the containment barrier.

There are a number of different containment types and designs, and several aspects of containment functional design that are within the scope of SAR Section 6.2.1. The various containment types and aspects to be reviewed under this SRP section have been separated and assigned to a set of other SRP sections as follows:

1. Pressurized water reactor (PWR) dry containments, including sub-atmospheric containments (SRP Section 6.2.1.1.A).
2. Ice condenser containments (SRP Section 6.2.1.1.B).
3. Mark I, II, and III boiling water reactor (BWR) pressure-suppression type containments (SRP Section 6.2.1.1.C).
4. Subcompartment analysis (SRP Section 6.2.1.2).
5. Mass and energy release analysis for postulated loss-of-coolant accidents (SRP Section 6.2.1.3).
6. Mass and energy release analysis for postulated secondary system pipe ruptures (SRP Section 6.2.1.4).
7. Minimum containment pressure analysis for emergency core cooling system (ECCS) performance capability studies (SRP Section 6.2.1.5).

A separate SRP section has been prepared for each of these areas.

Areas related to the evaluation of the containment functional capability are treated in other SRP sections; e.g., Containment Heat Removal (SRP Section 6.2.2), Containment Isolation System (SRP Section 6.2.4), Combustible Gas Control (SRP Section 6.2.5), and Containment Leakage Testing (SRP Section 6.2.6). In addition, the evaluation of the secondary containment functional design capability is reviewed in SRP Section 6.2.3.

I. AREAS OF REVIEW

The items reviewed are described in the "Areas of Review" subsections of the seven SRP sections listed above.

II. ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

The acceptance criteria are given in the "Acceptance Criteria" subsections of the seven SRP sections listed above.

III. REVIEW PROCEDURES

Review procedures are given in "Review Procedures" subsections of the seven SRP sections listed above.

IV. EVALUATION FINDINGS

The results of the reviews under the seven SRP sections listed above are consolidated into a single set of findings. The reviewer verifies that sufficient information has been provided and that the evaluation is adequate to support conclusions of the following type, to be included in the staff's safety evaluation report:

Containment Functional Design

The scope of review of the functional design of the containment for the _____ nuclear power plant has included a review of plant arrangement drawings, system drawings, and descriptive information for the containment building, subcompartments, and associated systems, components, and structures that are essential to the functional capability and integrity of the containment. The review has included the applicant's proposed design bases for the containment building and internal structures, and associated structures and systems upon which the containment function depends, and the applicant's analysis of postulated accidents and operational occurrences which support the adequacy of the design bases.

The basis for the staff's acceptance has been conformance of designs and design bases for the containment building, internal structures, and associated systems, components, and structures to the Commission's regulations as set forth in the general design criteria, and to applicable regulatory guides, branch technical positions, and industry codes and standards. (Special problems or exceptions that the staff takes to the design or functional capability of containment structures, systems, and components should be discussed.)

To support the basis for the staff's acceptance of the containment system, the reviewer of the containment system should include in the staff's safety evaluation report, as necessary, the results of the reviews for the seven SRP sections above. The SER writeup should demonstrate conformance with the Commission regulations in the manner indicated. The staff concludes that the containment functional design is acceptable and meets the requirements of General Design Criteria 16, 50, 52 and 53. The conclusion is based on the following: [The reviewer should discuss each item of the regulations or related set of regulations as indicated.]

1. The applicant has met the requirements of (cite regulation) with respect to (state limits of review in relation to regulation) by (for each item that is applicable to the review, state how it was met and why acceptable with respect to regulation being discussed):

- a. meeting the regulatory positions in Regulatory Guide _____ or Guides;
 - b. providing and meeting an alternative method to regulatory positions in Regulatory Guide _____, that the staff has reviewed and found to be acceptable;
 - c. meeting the regulatory position in BTP;
 - d. using calculational methods for (state what was evaluated) that has been previously reviewed by the staff and found acceptable; the staff has reviewed the impact parameters in this case and found them to be suitably conservative or performed independent calculations to verify acceptability of their analysis; and/or
 - e. meeting the provisions of (industry standard number and title) that has been reviewed by the staff and determined to be appropriate for this application.
2. Repeat discussion for each regulation cited above.
 3. The temperature/pressure profiles provided in the Final Safety Analysis Report for the spectrum of LOCA and main steam line break accidents are acceptable for use in equipment qualification, i.e., there is reasonable assurance that the actual temperatures and pressures for the postulated accidents will not exceed these profiles anywhere within the specified environmental zones, except in the break zone.

V. IMPLEMENTATION

The implementation schedules are given in the "Implementation" sections of the seven SRP sections listed above.

VI. REFERENCES

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