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Core Operating Limits Report
Revisions 17 & 18 (Cycle 17 updates)

Dear Sir;

Attached are Revisions 17 (effective date 07/27/2005) and 18 (effective date 7/29/2005) to the James A. FitzPatrick (JAF) Core Operating Limits Report (COLR). These reports are being submitted in accordance with Technical Specifications (TS) 5.6.5.

Revision 17 of the COLR incorporated changes as a result of APRM setpoint changes and Rod Block Monitor setpoint clarifications that were implemented during JAF's current Cycle 17 operation. These changes were previously analyzed in the JAF reload analysis completed by Global Nuclear Fuel (GNF) for Cycle 17. Also included were changes to the stability portion of the reload analysis.

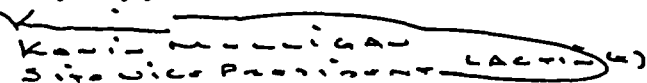
As a result of installation problems encountered with new APRM flow reference cards, Revision 18 to the COLR was issued to remove the specific changes associated with the new cards, which were not installed. Also, the stability portion of the reload analysis, previously acceptable up to 6000 MWD/ST, was extended to 9000 MWD/ST and the COLR updated accordingly.

Editorial corrections and administrative changes, that do not alter the intent of the COLR, were also included in both Revisions 17 and 18.

There are no commitments contained in this letter.

Questions concerning this letter or the attachments may be addressed to Mr. William Drews, Reactor Engineering Superintendent, at (315) 349-6562.

Very truly yours,


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REPORT

CORE OPERATING LIMITS REPORT
REVISION 17

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1.0 PURPOSE

This report provides the cycle-specific operating limits for Cycle 17 of the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant. The following limits are addressed:

- Operating Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)
- Flow Dependent MCPR Limits
- Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)
- Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)
- Flow-Biased Average Power Range Monitor (APRM) and Rod Block Monitor (RBM) Settings
- Stability Option ID Exclusion Region

2.0 APPLICABILITY

The plant shall be operated within the limits specified in this report. If any of these limits are exceeded, the corrective actions specified in the Technical Specifications shall be taken.

3.0 REFERENCES

- 3.1 JAFNPP Administrative Procedure 12.05, Control of Core Operating Limits Report.
- 3.2 JAFNPP Technical Specifications.
- 3.3 Design Change Package ER-JF-03-0155, Cycle 17 Core Reload
- 3.4 RAP-7.3.17, Core Monitoring Software and Database Changes.
- 3.5 Plant Operation Up To 100% Power With One Steam Line Isolated, JAF-SE-96-035.
- 3.6 James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant K_f Curve Update, GE-NE-J11-03426-00-01, September 1998.
- 3.7 General Electric Standard Application for Reload Fuel, NEDE-24011-P-A-14
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- 3.17 GNF Letter, Updated SLMCPRs for JAF Cycle 17, February 28, 2005
- 3.18 JF-03-00402, ARTS/MEOD Phase 1 Implementation
- 3.19 JAF-RPT-MISC-04489, Rev.2, Power-Flow Map Report
- 3.20 GENE-0000-0030-4847-R1, March2005, Option 1D Exclusion Region Evaluation for FitzPatrick Cycle 17

4.0 DEFINITIONS

4.1 Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR):

The APLHGR shall be applicable to a specific planar height and is equal to the sum of the heat generation rate per unit length of fuel rod for all the fuel rods in the specified assembly at the specified height divided by the number of fuel rods in the fuel assembly at the height.

4.2 Fraction of Limiting Power Density:

The ratio of the linear heat generation rate (LHGR) existing at a given location to the design LHGR. The design LHGR is given in Table 8.2.

4.3 Linear Heat Generation Rate(LHGR):

The LHGR shall be the heat generation rate per unit length of fuel rod. It is the integral of the heat flux over the heat transfer area associated with the unit length.

4.5 Minimum critical power ratio (MCPR):

The MCPR shall be the smallest critical power ratio (CPR) that exists in the core for each type of fuel. The CPR is that power in the assembly that is calculated by application of the appropriate correlation(s) to cause some point in the assembly to experience boiling transition, divided by the actual assembly operating power.

4.6 Rated Recirculation Flow :

That drive flow which produces a core flow of 77.0×10^6 lb/hr.

5.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

NOTE: See AP-12.05 (Reference 3.1).

5.1 **Shift Manager:**

Assure that the reactor is operated within the limits described herein.

5.2 **Reactor Engineering Superintendent:**

Assure that the limits described herein are properly installed in the 3D-Monicores databank used for thermal limit surveillance (Reference 3.4)

6.0 SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Not Applicable

7.0 PROCEDURE

7.1 Operating Limit MCPR

During operation, with thermal power $\geq 25\%$ of rated thermal power (RTP), the Operating Limit MCPR shall be equal to or greater than the limits given below.

7.1.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

7.1.2 The Operating Limit MCPR shall be determined based on the following requirement:

7.1.2.1. The average scram time to notch position 36 shall be:

$$\tau_{AVE} \leq \tau_B$$

7.1.2.2. The average scram time to notch position 36 is determined as follows:

$$\tau_{AVE} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n N_i \tau_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n N_i}$$

WHERE:

n = Number of surveillance tests performed to date in the cycle,

N_i = Number of active rods measured in the surveillance i

τ_i = Average scram time to notch position 36 of all rods measured in surveillance test i.

7.1.2.3. The adjusted analysis mean scram time is calculated as follows:

$$\tau_B(\text{sec}) = \mu + 1.65\sigma \left[\frac{N_I}{\sum_{i=1}^n N_i} \right]^{1/2}$$

WHERE:

μ = Mean of the distribution for the average scram insertion time to the dropout of notch position 36 = 0.830 sec.

σ = Standard deviation of the distribution for average scram insertion time to the dropout of notch position 36 = 0.019 sec.

N_I = The total number of active rods measured in Technical Specification SR 3.1.4.4.

The number of rods to be scram tested and the test intervals are given in Technical Specification LCO 3.1.4, Control Rod Scram Times

7.1.3 When requirement of 7.1.2.1 is met, the Operating Limit MCPR shall not be less than that specified in Table 8.1, Table 8.1.A, Table 8.1.B or Table 8.1.C as applicable.

7.1.4 **WHEN** the requirement 7.1.2.1 is not met (i.e. $\tau_B < \tau_{AVE}$), **THEN** the Operating Limit MCPR values (as a function of τ) are given in Figure 8.1, Figure 8.1.A, Figure 8.1.B or Figure 8.1.C as applicable.

$$\tau = \frac{(\tau_{AVE} - \tau_B)}{(\tau_A - \tau_B)}$$

WHERE:

τ_{AVE} = The average scram time to notch position 36 as defined in 7.1.2.2.

τ_B = The adjusted analysis mean scram time as defined in 7.1.2.3.

τ_A = the scram time to notch position 36 as defined in Technical Specification Table 3.1.4-1.

NOTE: IF the operating limit MCPR obtained from these figures is determined to be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3, THEN 7.1.3 shall apply.

7.1.5 During single-loop operation, the Operating Limit MCPR shall be increased by 0.02.

7.1.6 During reactor power operation with core flow less than 100 percent of rated, the Operating Limit MCPR shall be multiplied by the appropriate K_f specified in Figure 8.2.

7.2 Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

7.2.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.2.1, Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

7.2.2 During operation, with thermal power \geq 25% rated thermal power (RTP), the APLHGR shall be within the limits given in Tables 8.3 and 8.3.A (Figures 8.3 and 8.3.A) for the appropriate fuel type.

7.2.3 During single loop operation, the APLHGR for each fuel type shall not exceed the values given in 7.2.2 above multiplied by the appropriate value (0.78 for GE12 and GE14 fuel).

7.3 Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

7.3.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.2.3, Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

7.3.2 During operation, with thermal power \geq 25% rated thermal power (RTP), the LHGR for each fuel rod as a function of axial location and exposure shall be within limits based on applicable LHGR limit values given in Tables 8.2 and 8.2.A for appropriate fuel and rod type.

7.3.3 During single loop operation, the LHGR for each fuel type shall not exceed the values given in 7.3.2 above multiplied by the appropriate value (0.78 for GE12 and GE14 fuel).

7.4 APRM Trip Settings

7.4.1 APRM Flow Referenced Flux Scram Trip Setting (Run Mode)

- 7.4.1.1. Technical Specifications:
LCO 3.2.4, Average Power Range Monitor (APRM) Gain and Setpoint
LCO 3.3.1.1, Reactor Protection System (RPS) Instrumentation
- 7.4.1.2. When operating in Mode 1, the APRM Neutron Flux-High (Flow Biased) Trip setting shall be
- for two loop operation:
- | | |
|--|------------------------|
| $S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = 0.38*W + 61.0\%$ | $0 < W \leq 24.7\%$ |
| $S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = 1.15*W + 42.0\%$ | $24.7 < W \leq 47.0\%$ |
| $S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = 0.63*W + 73.7\%$ | $47.0 < W \leq 68.7\%$ |
| $S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = 117.00\% \text{ (Clamp)}$ | $W > 68.7\%$ |
- for single loop operation:
- | | |
|--|------------------------|
| $S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = 0.38*W + 57.9\%$ | $0 < W \leq 32.7\%$ |
| $S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = 1.15*W + 32.8\%$ | $32.7 < W \leq 50.1\%$ |
| $S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = 0.58*W + 61.3\%$ | $50.1 < W \leq 95.9\%$ |
| $S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = 117.00\% \text{ (Clamp)}$ | $W > 95.9\%$ |

WHERE:

S = Setting in percent of rated thermal power;

W = Recirculation flow in percent of rated;

NOTE: Compliance with the "Allowed Region of Operation" on the Power-Flow Map, Figure 3.7-1 of the FSAR is defined by the equation $0.58W + 50\%$ and is individually controlled and assures boundaries are not exceeded during normal operation.

- 7.4.1.3. In the event of operation with a Maximum Fraction of Limiting Power Density (MFLPD) greater than the Fraction of Rated Power (FRP), the setting shall be modified as follows

for two loop operation:

$S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = (0.38*W + 61.0\%)(\text{FRP}/\text{MFLPD})$	$0 < W \leq 24.7\%$
$S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = (1.15*W + 42.0\%)(\text{FRP}/\text{MFLPD})$	$24.7 < W \leq 47.0\%$
$S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = (0.63*W + 73.7\%)(\text{FRP}/\text{MFLPD})$	$47.0 < W \leq 68.7\%$
$S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = (117.00\%(\text{Clamp}))(\text{FRP}/\text{MFLPD})$	$W > 68.7\%$

for single loop operation:

$$S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = (0.38 * W_d + 57.9\%)(\text{FRP/MFLPD}) \quad 0 < W \leq 32.7\%$$

$$S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = (1.15 * W_d + 32.8\%)(\text{FRP/MFLPD}) \quad 32.7 < W \leq 50.1\%$$

$$S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = (0.58 * W_d + 61.3\%)(\text{FRP/MFLPD}) \quad 50.1 < W \leq 95.9\%$$

$$S \leq (\% \text{ RTP}) = (117.00\% (\text{Clamp}))(\text{FRP/MFLPD}) \quad W > 95.9\%$$

WHERE:

FRP = Fraction of Rated Power;

MFLPD = Maximum Fraction Of Limiting Power Density, see Definition 4.4.

The ratio of FRP to MFLPD shall be set equal to 1.0 unless the actual operating value is less than the design value of 1.0, in which case the actual operating value will be used.

- 7.4.2 APRM Neutron Flux-High (Flow Biased) Rod Block Trip Setting
(Relocated to the Technical Requirements Manual)

7.5 RBM Upscale Rod Block Trip Setting

- 7.5.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.3.2.1, Control Rod Block Instrumentation

- 7.5.2 The RBM upscale rod block trip setting shall be:

$$S \leq 0.66W + K \quad \text{for two loop operation;}$$

$$S \leq 0.66W + K - 0.66 \Delta W \quad \text{for single loop operation;}$$

WHERE:

S = rod block setting in percent of initial;

W = Loop flow in percent of rated

K = Any intercept value may be used because the RBM intercept value does not effect the MCPR Operating Limit and the RBM is not assumed to function to protect the Safety Limit MCPR.

ΔW = Difference between two loop and single loop effective drive flow at the same core flow.

NOTE: If K can be any value, then $K - 0.66\Delta W$ can also be any value, and the trip setting adjustment for single loop operation is not necessary.

7.6 Stability Option 1-D Exclusion Region and Buffer Zone.

- 7.6.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.4.1, Recirculation Loops Operating
- 7.6.2 The reactor shall not be intentionally operated within the Exclusion Region given in Figure 8.4 when the SOLOMON Code is operable.
- 7.6.3 The reactor shall not be intentionally operated within the Buffer Zone given in Figure 8.4 when the SOLOMON Code is inoperable.

7.7 K_f – Flow Dependent MCPR Limit

Figure 8.2 is the K_f limit. Values of K_f are obtained using the following equation (see Reference 3.6):

$$K_f = \text{MAX} [1.0, A - \text{SLOPE} * \text{WT}]$$

WHERE:

WT = Core Flow as % of Rated, $30\% \leq \text{WT} \leq 100\%$

SLOPE = $(A_F/100/\text{OLMCPR}) * (\text{SLMCPR} / \text{SLMCPR}_{\text{generic}})$

A = $(B_F/\text{OLMCPR}) * (\text{SLMCPR} / \text{SLMCPR}_{\text{generic}})$

$\text{SLMCPR}_{\text{generic}} = 1.07$

SLMCPR = Technical Specification LCO 2.1.1, Reactor Core SLs

OLMCPR = The lowest value obtained from Figures 8.1, 8.1.A, 8.1.B and 8.1.C as per 7.1.4, or, if the note in 7.1.4 applies, then 7.1.3 requirement must be met.

A_F, B_F = Coefficients for the K_f curve listed below:

Scoop Tube Setpoint %	A_F	B_F
102.5	0.571	1.655
107.0	0.586	1.697
112.0	0.602	1.747
117.0	0.632	1.809

All coefficients apply to Manual Flow Control Mode

8.0 FIGURES AND TABLES**8.1 FIGURES**

Figure 8.1. MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ for GE12 and GE14.

Figure 8.1.A. MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ for Operation above 75% of Rated Thermal Power with Three Steam Lines in Service for GE12 and GE14.

Figure 8.1.B. MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ for Operation with Turbine Bypass Valves Out of Service

Figure 8.1.C. MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ for Operation with Final Feedwater Temperature Reduction

Figure 8.2 K_f Factor

Figure 8.3 Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel

Figure 8.3.A Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel

Figure 8.4 Stability Option 1D Exclusion Region

Figure 8.5 Exposure Dependent LHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel.

Figure 8.5.A Exposure Dependent LHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel.

Figure 8.6. Cycle 17 Loading Pattern, Full Core by Bundle Design

Figure 8.7 Users Guide

8.2 TABLES

Table 8.1	MCPR Operating Limit for Incremental Cycle Core Average Exposure
Table 8.1.A	MCPR Operating Limit for Incremental Cycle Core Average Exposure for Operation above 75% of Rated Thermal Power with Three Steam Lines in Service
Table 8.1.B	MCPR Operating Limit for Operation with Turbine Bypass Valves Out of Service
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Table 8.2	Maximum LHGR – GE14
Table 8.2.A	Maximum LHGR – GE12
Table 8.3	APLHGR Limits for GE14 Fuel
Table 8.3.A	APLHGR Limits for GE12 Fuel

9.0 EXHIBITS

NONE

TABLE 8.1

MCPR Operating Limit For Incremental Cycle Core Average Exposure

Cycle 17 Exposure Range	All Fuel Types
BOC to <EOC – 2.7 GWD/ST	1.39
EOC – 2.7 GWD/ST to EOC	1.43

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

- NOTE: 1. When entering a new Exposure Range, check the current value of τ to assure adjustment per Step 7.1.4
2. Applicable for any value of K, see Step 7.5.2

TABLE 8.1.A

MCPR Operating Limit for Incremental Cycle Core Average
Exposure for Operation above 75% of Rated Thermal Power with
Three Steam Lines in Service

Cycle 17 Exposure Range	All Fuel Types
BOC to <EOC – 2.7 GWD/ST	1.41
EOC – 2.7 GWD/ST to EOC	1.45

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

- NOTE:** 1. When entering a new Exposure Range, check the current value of τ to assure adjustment per Step 7.1.4
2. Applicable for any value of K , see Step 7.5.2

TABLE 8.1.B

MCPR Operating Limit for Operation with Turbine Bypass Valves
Out of Service

Cycle 17 Exposure Range	All Fuel Types
ALL	1.47

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

Technical Specification LCO 3.7.6, Main Turbine Bypass System

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

- NOTE:** 1. When entering a new Exposure Range, check the current value of τ to assure adjustment per Step 7.1.4
2. Applicable for any value of K, see Step 7.5.2

TABLE 8.1.C

MCPR Operating Limit for Operation with Final Feedwater
Temperature Reduction

Cycle 17 Exposure Range	All Fuel Types
At EOC only (see below)	1.43

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

NOTE: 1. When entering a new Exposure Range, check the current value of τ to assure adjustment per Step 7.1.4

2. Applicable for any value of K, see Step 7.5.2

MCPR Operating Limits in this table apply when at reduced feedwater temperature near end-of-cycle, see JD-02-122 (Reference 3.14) for further information.

TABLE 8.2

Maximum LHGR – GE14

Peak Pellet Exposure	UO ₂ LHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	13.40
14.51	13.40
57.61	8.00
63.50	5.00

Peak Pellet Exposure	Most Limiting Gadolinia LHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	12.26
12.28	12.26
55.00	7.32
60.84	4.57

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.3, Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

Design features of the fuel assemblies in the Cycle 17 core are provided in References 3.3, 3.16

For single loop operation these LHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78

Linearly interpolate for LHGR at intermediate exposure

TABLE 8.2.A

Maximum LHGR – GE12

Peak Pellet Exposure	UO ₂ LHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	11.80
13.24	11.80
63.50	6.39

Peak Pellet Exposure	Most Limiting Gadolinia LHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	11.35
11.69	11.35
63.50	6.20

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.3, Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

Design features of the fuel assemblies in the Cycle 17 core are provided in References 3.3, 3.16

For single loop operation these LHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78

Linearly interpolate for LHGR at intermediate exposure

TABLE 8.3

Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel

Average Planar Exposure	APLHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	12.82
14.51	12.82
19.13	12.82
57.61	8.00
63.50	5.00

TABLE 8.3.A

Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel

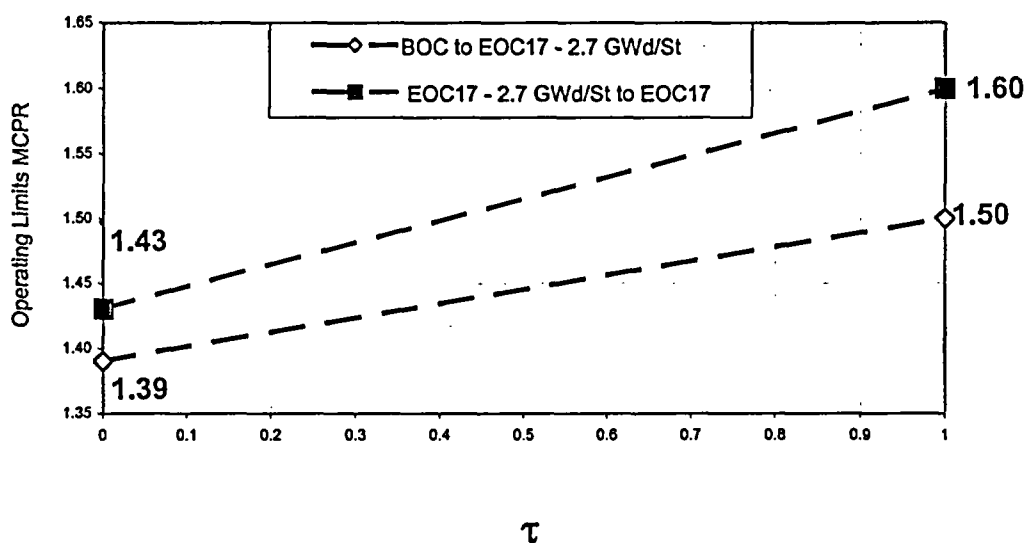
Average Planar Exposure	APLHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	10.62
13.24	10.62
24.20	10.62
63.50	6.39

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.1, Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

For single loop operation these APLHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78

Linearly interpolate for APLHGR at intermediate exposure

FIGURE 8.1
MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ
For All Fuel Types



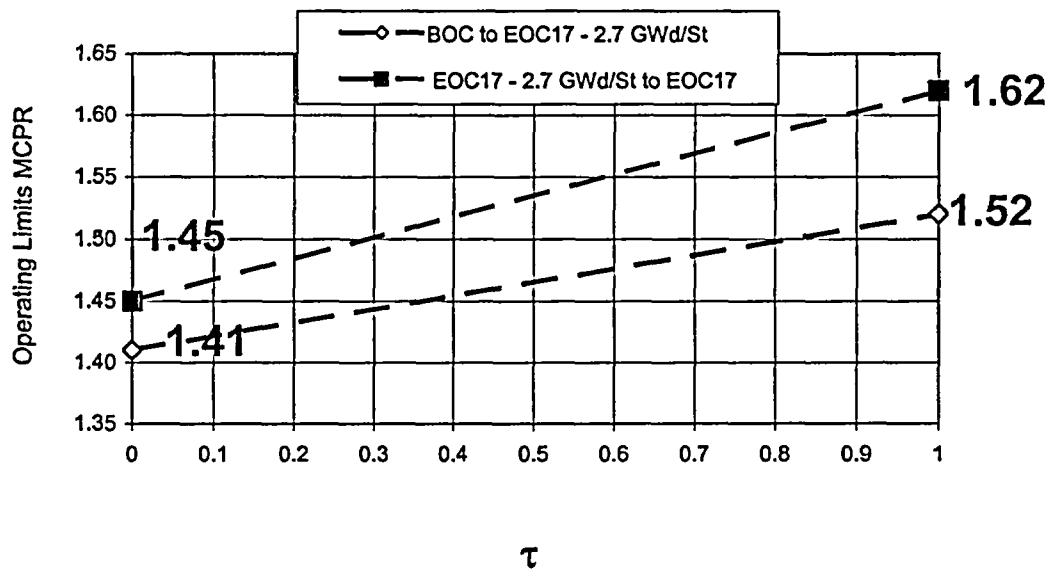
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For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

NOTE: Should the operating limit MCPR obtained from this figure be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3 for the applicable RBM Upscale Rod Block trip level setting then 7.1.3 shall apply (Not applicable in Cycle 17).

FIGURE 8.1.A

MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ
 For Operating Above 75% of Rated
 Thermal Power with Three Steam
 Lines in Service For all Fuel Types



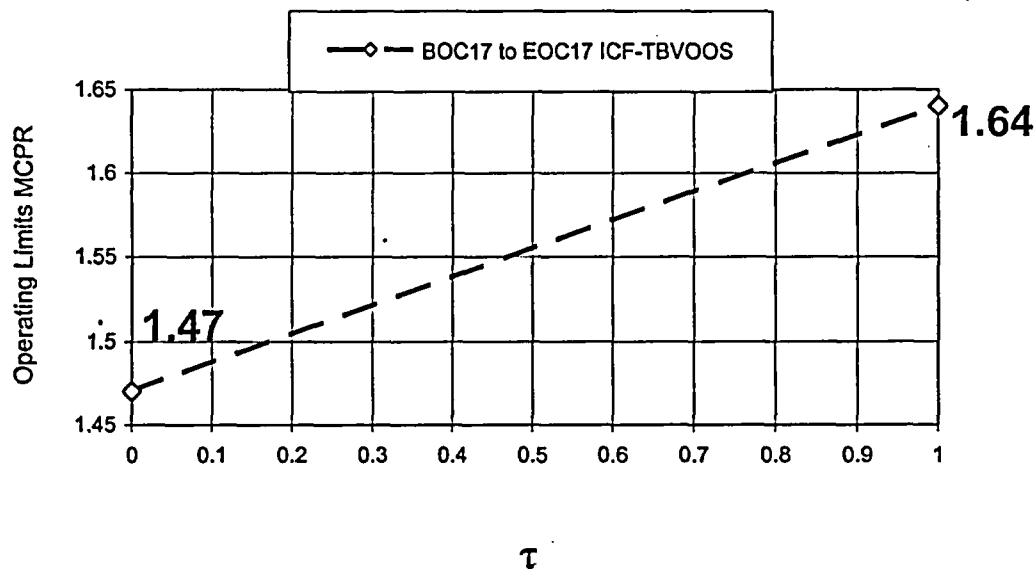
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For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

NOTE: Should the operating limit MCPR obtained from this figure be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3 for the applicable RBM Upscale Rod Block trip level setting then 7.1.3 shall apply (Not applicable in Cycle 17).

FIGURE 8.1.B

MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ
for Operation with Turbine Bypass
Valves Out of Service



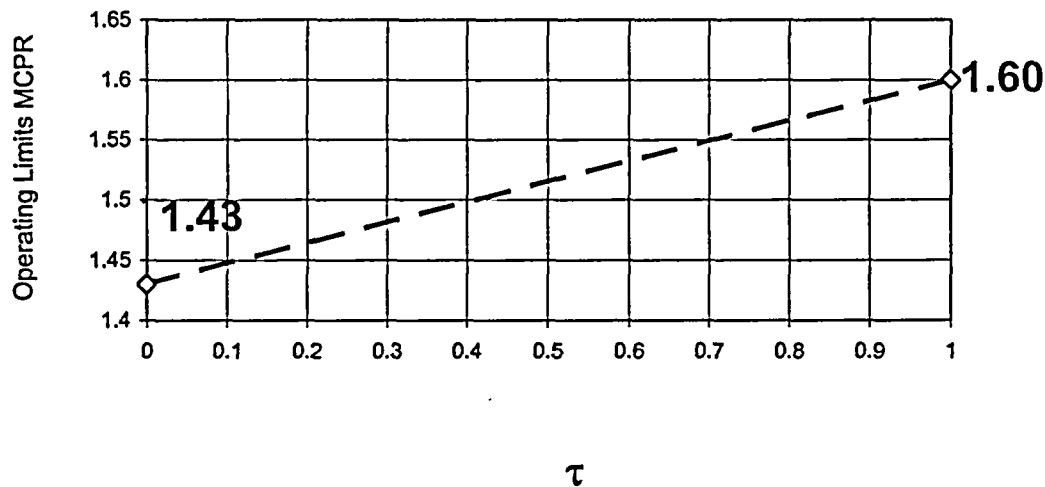
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NOTE: Should the operating limit MCPR obtained from this figure be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3 for the applicable RBM Upscale Rod Block trip level setting then 7.1.3 shall apply (Not applicable in Cycle 17).

FIGURE 8.1.C

MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ
for Operation with Final Feedwater
Temperature Reduction

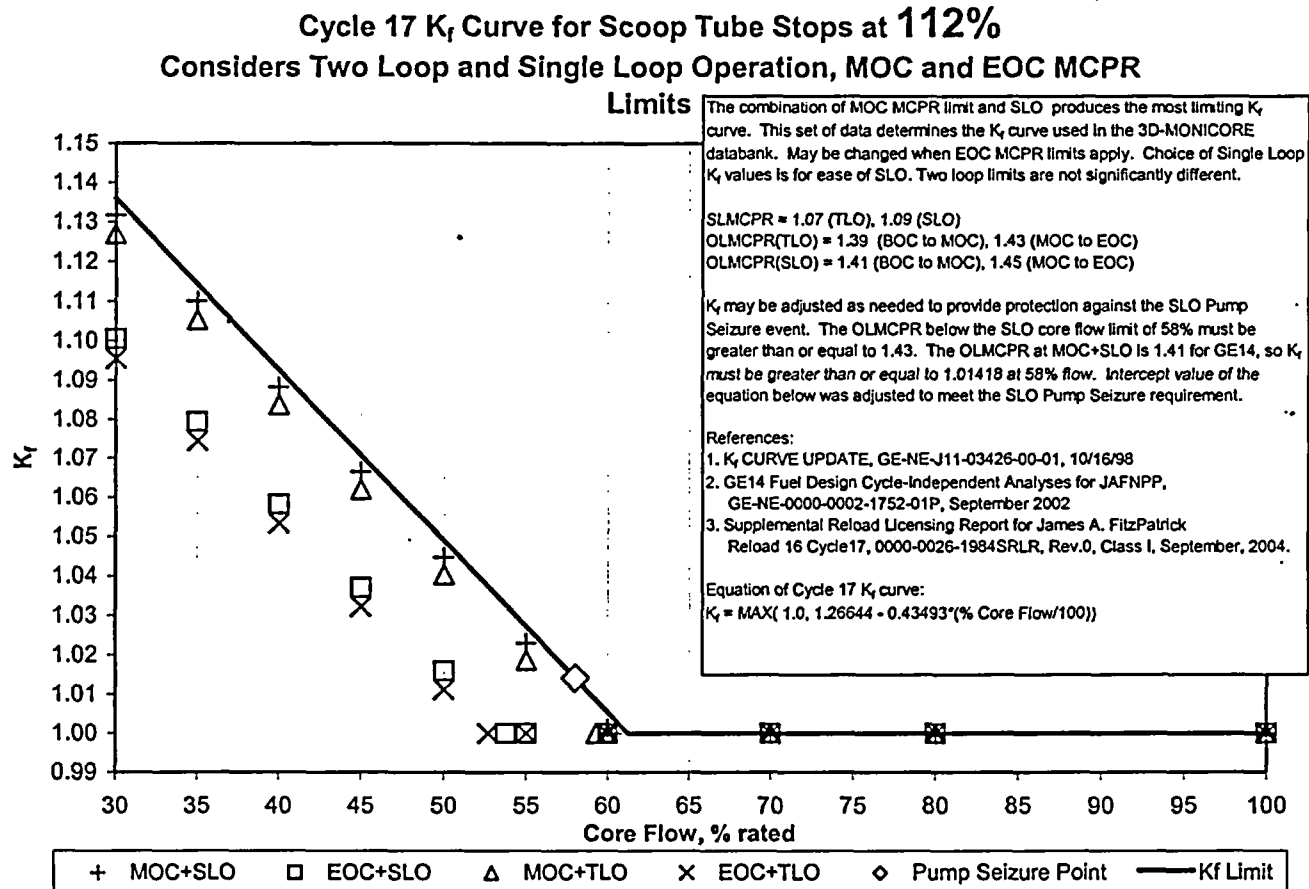


Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

NOTE: Should the operating limit MCPR obtained from this figure be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3 for the applicable RBM Upscale Rod Block trip level setting then 7.1.3 shall apply (Not applicable in Cycle 17).

FIGURE 8.2

 K_f Factor

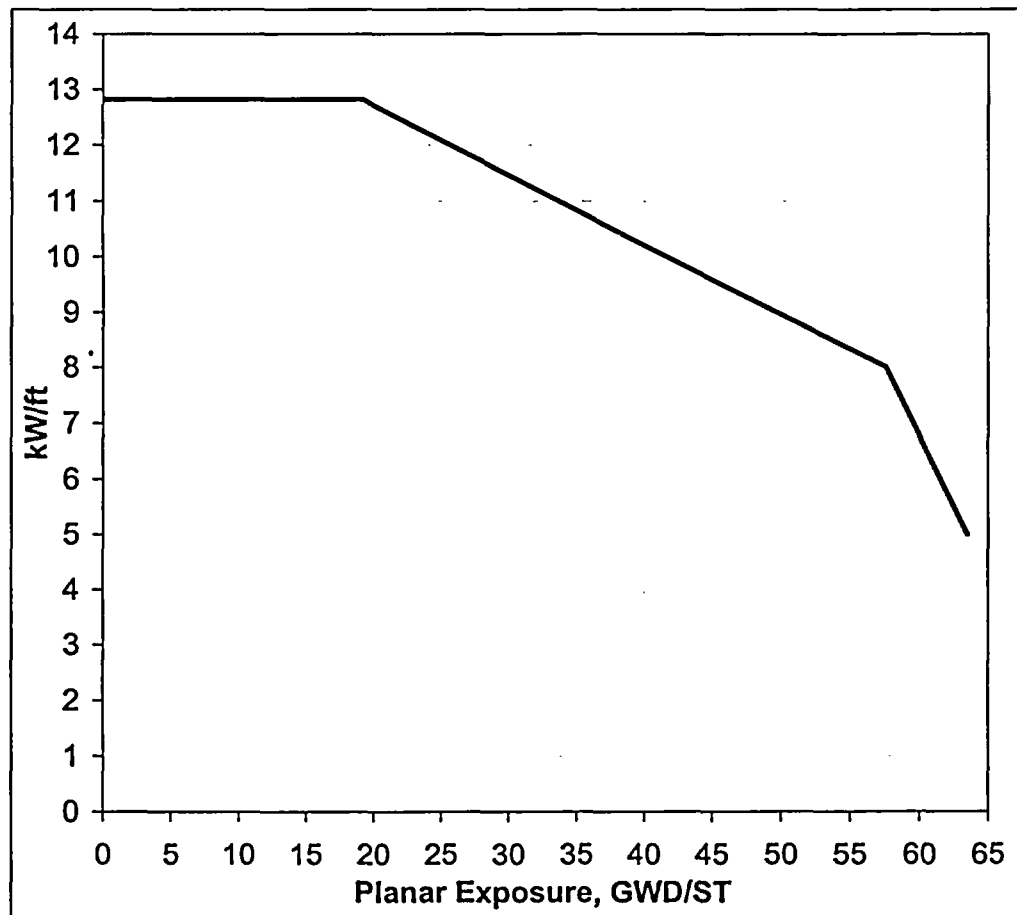
Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

See Section 7.7

NOTE: K_f for Single Loop Operation is slightly greater than for Dual Loop Operation limits. Therefore, K_f calculated for Single Loop Operation is more conservative and will be applied to Dual Loop Operation as well.

FIGURE 8.3

Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel

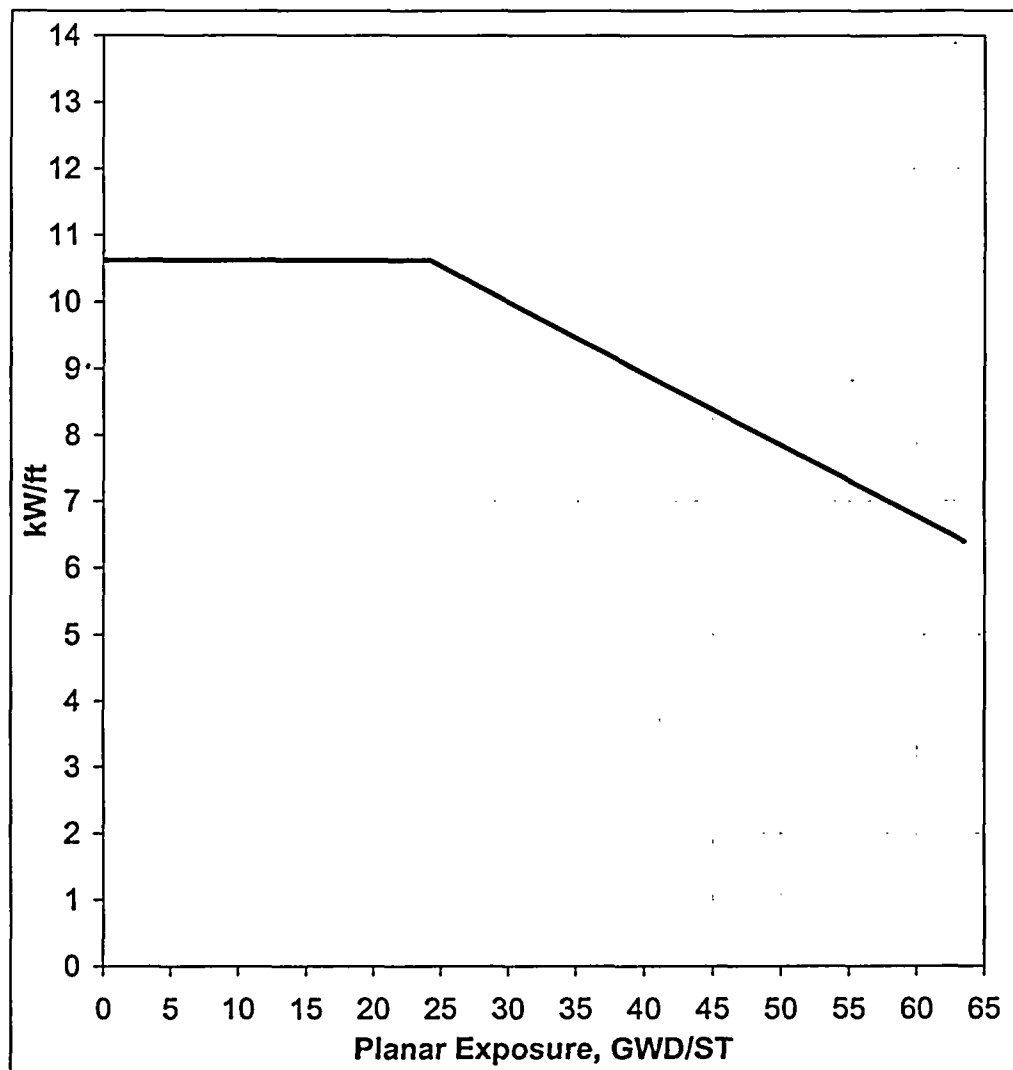


Technical Specification LCO 3.2.1, Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

For single loop operation these APLHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78.

FIGURE 8.3.A

Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel



Technical Specification LCO 3.2.1, Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

For single loop operation these APLHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78.

FIGURE 8.4

Stability Option 1-D Exclusion Region

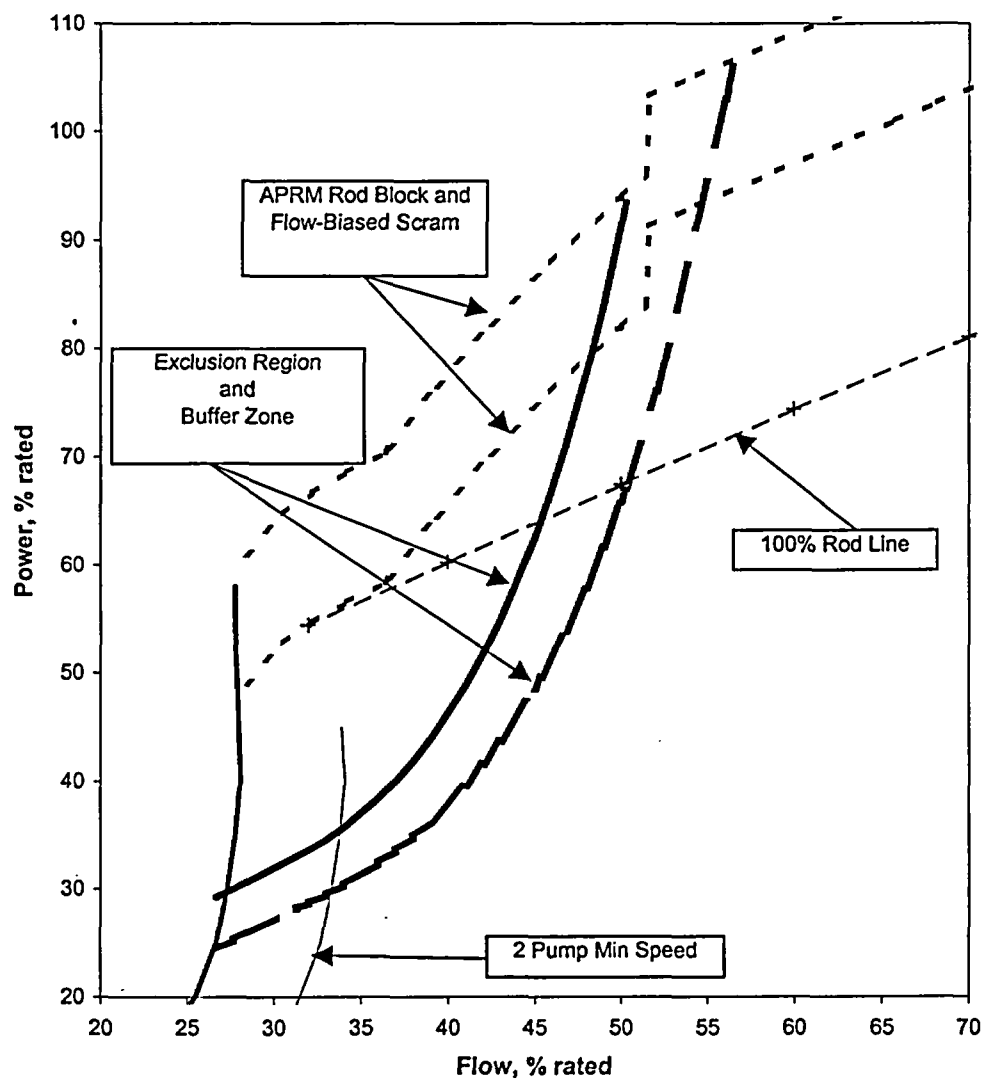
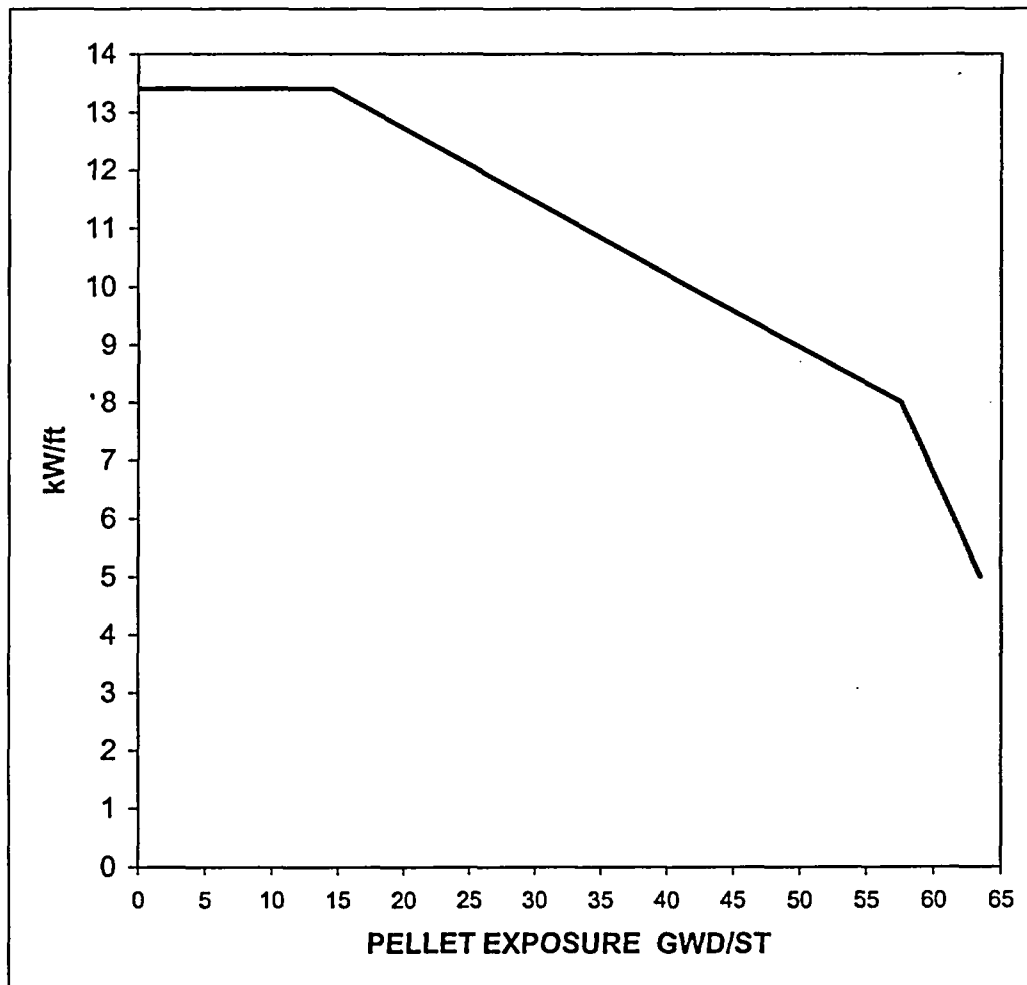


FIGURE 8.5

Exposure Dependent LHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel



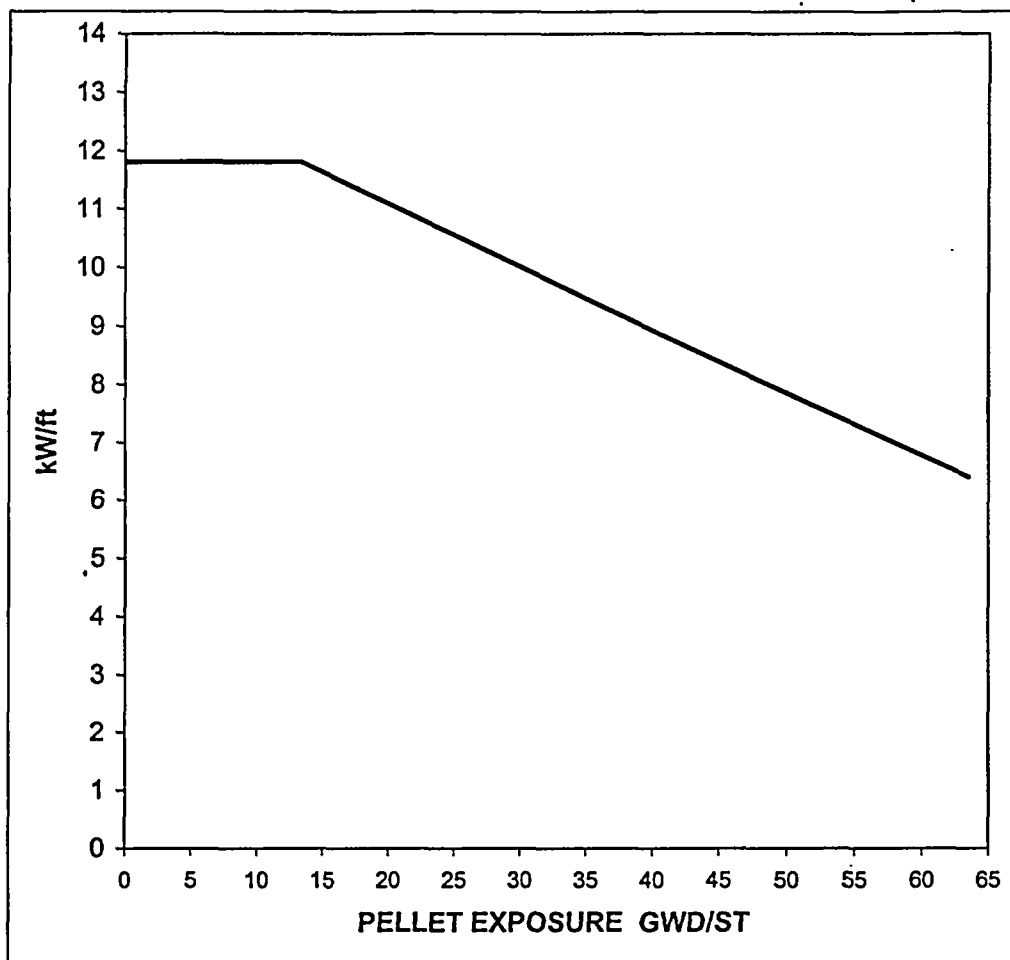
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This curve represents the limiting exposure dependent LHGR values per Reference 3.16

Design features of the fuel assemblies in the Cycle 17 core are provided in Reference 3.3

FIGURE 8.5.A

Exposure Dependent LHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel



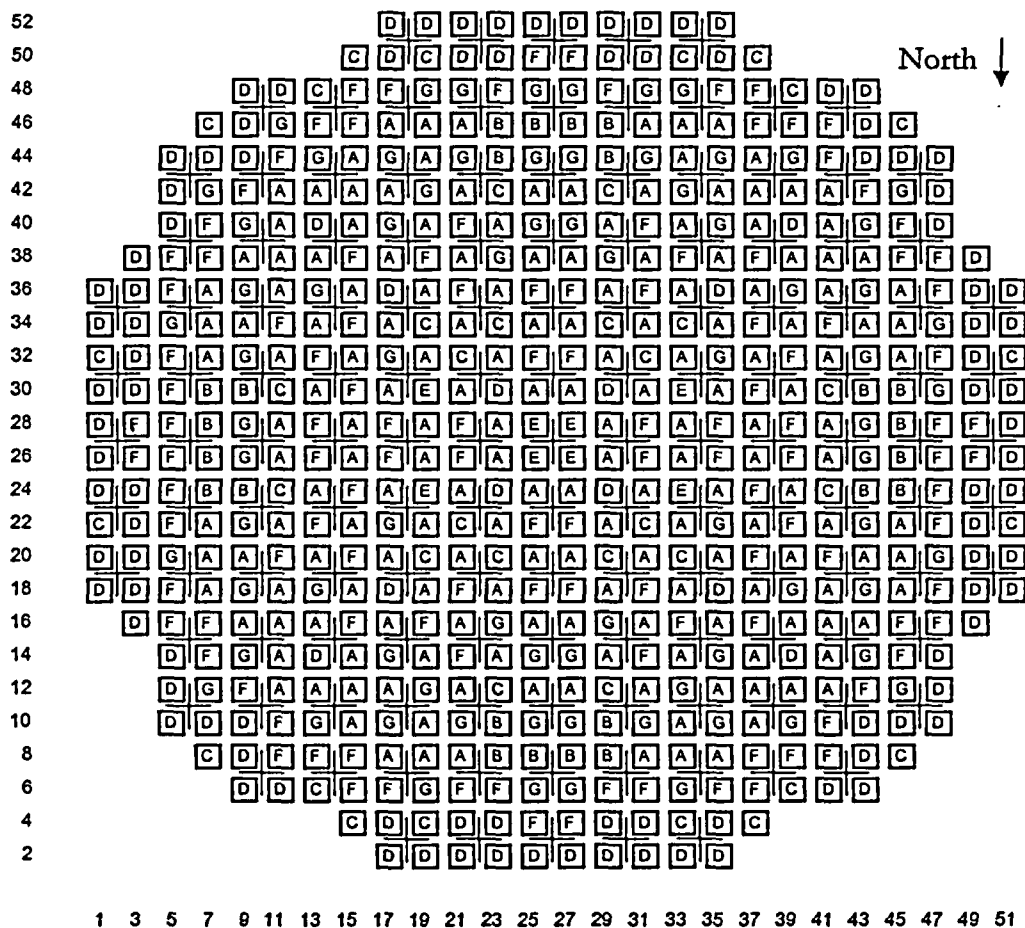
Technical Specification LCO 3.2.3, Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

This curve represents the limiting exposure dependent LHGR values per Reference 3.16

Design features of the fuel assemblies in the Cycle 17 core are provided in Reference 3.3

FIGURE 8.6

Cycle 17 Loading Pattern by Bundle Design



Fuel Type	
A=GE14-P10DNAB405-16GZ-100T-150-T6(Cycle 17)	E=GE12-P10DSB407-14G6.0-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 15)
B=GE14-P10DNAB405-15G6.0-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 17)	F=GE14-P10DNAB405-16GZ-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 16)
C=GE12-P10DSB405-16GZ-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 15)	G=GE14-P10DNAB405-16GZ-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 16)
D=GE12-P10DSB405-17GZ-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 15)	

FIGURE 8.7

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The COLR defines thermal limits for the various operating conditions expected during the cycle. At the start of the cycle the 3D-Monicores databank contains limits for;

- Cycle exposure range of BOC to < EOC17 – 2.7 GWD/ST
- $\tau = 0$
- Dual recirculation pump operation
- Four steam line operation, and
- Operation with Turbine Bypass Valves Out-of-Service
- Final Feedwater Temperature Reduction

The following is a table that offers a check to assure the correct limits are applied when operating states or conditions change.

Change in Operating State	Change in Limits	Procedure Reference
Cycle Exposure = EOC17 – 2.7 GWD/ST OLMCPR changes to EOC values at cycle exposure of 12.0 GWD/ST	See Table 8.1(8.1.A for 3SL) or Figure 8.1 for $\tau \neq 0$ (8.1.A for 3SL) for change in MCPR. K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	None
Scram Time Test Results such that $\tau \neq 0$ Option B limits for OLMCPR must be interpolated with Option A limits	Use new τ and see Figure 8.1 or 8.1.A for 3SL. K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	RAP-7.4.1
Single Loop Operation The SLMCPR increases by 0.02 and therefore OLMCPR limits increase by 0.02. MFLPD and MAPLHGR are reduced by a multiplier in SLO.	Increase MCPR Limits by 0.02, or change acceptance criterion in ST-5E to 0.98. K_f does not change. Verify that 3D-Monicores has recognized the idle recirculation loop and is applying the SLO MFLPD and MAPLHGR multiplier of 0.78.	ST-5E,
Three Steam Line Operation (3SL) OLMCPR values increase by 0.02 when operating on 3SL	Increase OLMCPR according to Table 8.1.A or Figure 8.1.A($\tau \neq 0$). K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	None
Operation with Turbine Bypass Valves Out-of-Service OLMCPR values increase, no LHGR change required	Increase OLMCPR according to Table 8.1.B or Figure 8.1.B($\tau \neq 0$). K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	None
Operation under Final Feedwater Temperature Reduction OLMCPR values increase, no LHGR change required	Increase OLMCPR according to Table 8.1.C or Figure 8.1.C($\tau \neq 0$). K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	None



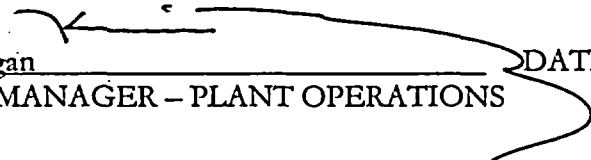
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1.0 PURPOSE

This report provides the cycle-specific operating limits for Cycle 17 of the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant. The following limits are addressed:

- Operating Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)
- Flow Dependent MCPR Limits
- Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)
- Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)
- Flow-Biased Average Power Range Monitor (APRM) and Rod Block Monitor (RBM) Settings
- Stability Option ID Exclusion Region

2.0 APPLICABILITY

The plant shall be operated within the limits specified in this report. If any of these limits are exceeded, the corrective actions specified in the Technical Specifications shall be taken.

3.0 REFERENCES

- 3.1 JAFNPP Administrative Procedure 12.05, Control of Core Operating Limits Report.
- 3.2 JAFNPP Technical Specifications.
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4.0 DEFINITIONS

- 4.1 Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR):
The APLHGR shall be applicable to a specific planar height and is equal to the sum of the heat generation rate per unit length of fuel rod for all the fuel rods in the specified assembly at the specified height divided by the number of fuel rods in the fuel assembly at the height.
- 4.2 Fraction of Limiting Power Density:
The ratio of the linear heat generation rate (LHGR) existing at a given location to the design LHGR. The design LHGR is given in Table 8.2.
- 4.3 Linear Heat Generation Rate(LHGR):
The LHGR shall be the heat generation rate per unit length of fuel rod. It is the integral of the heat flux over the heat transfer area associated with the unit length.

4.4 Maximum Fraction of Limiting Power Density (MFLPD):

The MFLPD shall be the largest value of the fraction of limiting power density in the core. The fraction of limiting power density shall be the LHGR existing at a given location divided by the specified LHGR limit for that bundle type.

4.5 Minimum critical power ratio (MCPR):

The MCPR shall be the smallest critical power ratio (CPR) that exists in the core for each type of fuel. The CPR is that power in the assembly that is calculated by application of the appropriate correlation(s) to cause some point in the assembly to experience boiling transition, divided by the actual assembly operating power.

4.6 Rated Recirculation Flow :

That drive flow which produces a core flow of 77.0×10^6 lb/hr.

5.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

NOTE: See AP-12.05 (Reference 3.1).

5.1 Shift Manager:

Assure that the reactor is operated within the limits described herein.

5.2 Reactor Engineering Superintendent:

Assure that the limits described herein are properly installed in the 3D-Monicores databank used for thermal limit surveillance (Reference 3.4)

6.0 SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Not Applicable

7.0 PROCEDURE**7.1 Operating Limit MCPR**

During operation, with thermal power $\geq 25\%$ of rated thermal power, the Operating Limit MCPR shall be equal to or greater than the limits given below.

7.1.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

7.1.2 The Operating Limit MCPR shall be determined based on the following requirement:

7.1.2.1. The average scram time to notch position 36 shall be:

$$\tau_{AVE} \leq \tau_B$$

7.1.2.2. The average scram time to notch position 36 is determined as follows:

$$\tau_{AVE} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n N_i \tau_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n N_i}$$

WHERE:

n = Number of surveillance tests performed to date in the cycle,

N_i = Number of active rods measured in the surveillance i

τ_i = Average scram time to notch position 36 of all rods measured in surveillance test i.

7.1.2.3. The adjusted analysis mean scram time is calculated as follows:

$$\tau_B(\text{sec}) = \mu + 1.65\sigma \left[\frac{N_I}{\sum_{i=1}^n N_i} \right]^{1/2}$$

WHERE:

μ = Mean of the distribution for the average scram insertion time to the dropout of notch position 36 = 0.830 sec.

σ = Standard deviation of the distribution for average scram insertion time to the dropout of notch position 36 = 0.019 sec.

N_I = The total number of active rods measured in Technical Specification SR 3.1.4.4.

The number of rods to be scram tested and the test intervals are given in Technical Specification LCO 3.1.4, Control Rod Scram Times

7.1.3 When requirement of 7.1.2.1 is met, the Operating Limit MCPR shall not be less than that specified in Table 8.1, Table 8.1.A, Table 8.1.B or Table 8.1.C as applicable.

7.1.4 WHEN the requirement 7.1.2.1 is not met (i.e. $\tau_B < \tau_{AVE}$), THEN the Operating Limit MCPR values (as a function of τ) are given in Figure 8.1, Figure 8.1.A, Figure 8.1.B or Figure 8.1.C as applicable.

$$\tau = \frac{(\tau_{AVE} - \tau_B)}{(\tau_A - \tau_B)}$$

WHERE:

τ_{AVE} = The average scram time to notch position 36 as defined in 7.1.2.2.

τ_B = The adjusted analysis mean scram time as defined in 7.1.2.3.

τ_A = the scram time to notch position 36 as defined in Technical Specification Table 3.1.4-1.

NOTE: IF the operating limit MCPR obtained from these figures is determined to be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3, THEN 7.1.3 shall apply.

7.1.5 During single-loop operation, the Operating Limit MCPR shall be increased by 0.02.

7.1.6 During reactor power operation with core flow less than 100 percent of rated, the Operating Limit MCPR shall be multiplied by the appropriate K_f specified in Figure 8.2.

7.2 Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

7.2.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.2.1, Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

7.2.2 During operation, with thermal power \geq 25% rated thermal power, the APLHGR shall be within the limits given in Tables 8.3 and 8.3.A (Figures 8.3 and 8.3.A) for the appropriate fuel type.

7.2.3 During single loop operation, the APLHGR for each fuel type shall not exceed the values given in 7.2.2 above multiplied by the appropriate value (0.78 for GE12 and GE14 fuel).

7.3 Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

7.3.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.2.3, Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

7.3.2 During operation, with thermal power \geq 25% rated thermal power, the LHGR for each fuel rod as a function of axial location and exposure shall be within limits based on applicable LHGR limit values given in Tables 8.2 and 8.2.A for appropriate fuel and rod type.

7.3.3 During single loop operation, the LHGR for each fuel type shall not exceed the values given in 7.3.2 above multiplied by the appropriate value (0.78 for GE12 and GE14 fuel).

7.4 APRM Trip Settings

7.4.1 APRM Flow Referenced Flux Scram Trip Setting (Run Mode)

- 7.4.1.1. Technical Specifications:
LCO 3.2.4, Average Power Range Monitor (APRM) Gain and Setpoint
LCO 3.3.1.1, Reactor Protection System (RPS) Instrumentation

- 7.4.1.2. When operating in Mode 1, the APRM Neutron Flux-High (Flow Biased) Trip setting shall be:

$$S \leq 0.58W + 66\% \text{ for two loop operation;}$$

$$S \leq 0.58W + 66\% - 0.58 \Delta W \text{ for single loop operation;}$$

WHERE:

S = Setting in percent of rated thermal power;

W = Recirculation flow in percent of rated;

ΔW = Difference between two loop and single-loop effective drive flow at the same core flow.

NOTE: Concerning APRM Neutron Flux-High (Flow Biased) Rod Block and Scram Trip settings: Reference 3.11 establishes Equivalent Analytical Limits for these settings. The nominal trip setpoint $S \leq 0.58W + 62\%$ (with clamp at 117%) for the Scram. Compliance with the "Allowed Region of Operation" on the Power-Flow Map, Figure 3.7-1 of the FSAR is defined by the equation $0.58W + 50\%$ and is individually controlled and assures boundaries are not exceeded during normal operation.

- 7.4.1.3. In the event of operation with a Maximum Fraction of Limiting Power Density (MFLPD) greater than the Fraction of Rated Power (FRP), the setting shall be modified as follows:

$$S \leq (0.58W + 66\%)(FRP/MFLPD) \text{ for two loop operation;}$$

$$S \leq (0.58W + 66\% - 0.58 \Delta W)(FRP/MFLPD) \text{ for single-loop operation;}$$

WHERE:

FRP = Fraction of Rated Power;

MFLPD = Maximum Fraction Of Limiting Power Density, see Definition 4.4.

The ratio of FRP to MFLPD shall be set equal to 1.0 unless the actual operating value is less than the design value of 1.0, in which case the actual operating value will be used.

7.4.2 APRM Neutron Flux-High (Flow Biased) Rod Block Trip Setting
(Relocated to the Technical Requirements Manual)

7.5 RBM Upscale Rod Block Trip Setting

7.5.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.3.2.1, Control Rod Block Instrumentation

7.5.2 The RBM upscale rod block trip setting shall be:

$$S \leq 0.66W + K \text{ for two loop operation;}$$

$$S \leq 0.66W + K - 0.66 \Delta W \text{ for single loop operation;}$$

WHERE:

S = rod block setting in percent of initial;

W = Loop flow in percent of rated

K = Any intercept value may be used because the RBM intercept value does not effect the MCPR Operating Limit

ΔW = Difference between two loop and single loop effective drive flow at the same core flow.

7.6 Stability Option 1-D Exclusion Region and Buffer Zone.

7.6.1 Technical Specification LCO 3.4.1, Recirculation Loops Operating

7.6.2 The reactor shall not be intentionally operated within the Exclusion Region given in Figure 8.4 when the SOLOMON Code is operable.

7.6.3 The reactor shall not be intentionally operated within the Buffer Zone given in Figure 8.4 when the SOLOMON Code is inoperable.

7.7 K_f – Flow Dependent MCPR Limit

Figure 8.2 is the K_f limit. Values of K_f are obtained using the following equation (see Reference 3.6):

$$K_f = \text{MAX} [1.0, A - \text{SLOPE} * \text{WT}]$$

WHERE:

WT = Core Flow as % of Rated, $30\% \leq \text{WT} \leq 100\%$

SLOPE = $(A_F/100/\text{OLMCPR}) * (\text{SLMCPR} / \text{SLMCPR}_{\text{generic}})$

A = $(B_F/\text{OLMCPR}) * (\text{SLMCPR} / \text{SLMCPR}_{\text{generic}})$

$\text{SLMCPR}_{\text{generic}} = 1.07$

SLMCPR = Technical Specification LCO 2.1.1, Reactor Core SLs

OLMCPR = The lowest value obtained from Figures 8.1, 8.1.A, 8.1.B and 8.1.C as per 7.1.4, or, if the note in 7.1.4 applies, then 7.1.3 requirement must be met.

A_F, B_F = Coefficients for the K_f curve listed below:

Scoop Tube Setpoint %	A_F	B_F
102.5	0.571	1.655
107.0	0.586	1.697
112.0	0.602	1.747
117.0	0.632	1.809

All coefficients apply to Manual Flow Control Mode

8.0 FIGURES AND TABLES**8.1 FIGURES**

Figure 8.1. MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ for GE12 and GE14.

Figure 8.1.A. MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ for Operation above 75% of Rated Thermal Power with Three Steam Lines in Service for GE12 and GE14.

Figure 8.1.B. MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ for Operation with Turbine Bypass Valves Out of Service

Figure 8.1.C. MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ for Operation with Final Feedwater Temperature Reduction

Figure 8.2. K_f Factor

Figure 8.3. Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel

Figure 8.3.A. Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel

Figure 8.4. Stability Option 1D Exclusion Region

Figure 8.5. Exposure Dependent LHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel.

Figure 8.5.A. Exposure Dependent LHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel.

Figure 8.6. Cycle 17 Loading Pattern, Full Core by Bundle Design

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Table 8.1.C	MCPR Operating Limit for Operation with Final Feedwater Temperature Reduction
Table 8.2	Maximum LHGR – GE14
Table 8.2.A	Maximum LHGR – GE12
Table 8.3	APLHGR Limits for GE14 Fuel
Table 8.3.A	APLHGR Limits for GE12 Fuel

9.0 EXHIBITS

NONE

TABLE 8.1

MCPR Operating Limit For Incremental Cycle Core Average Exposure

Cycle 17 Exposure Range	All Fuel Types
BOC to <EOC – 2.7 GWD/ST	1.39
EOC – 2.7 GWD/ST to EOC	1.43

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

- NOTE:
1. When entering a new Exposure Range, check the current value of τ to assure adjustment per Step 7.1.4
 2. Applicable for any value of K, see Step 7.5.2

TABLE 8.1.A

MCPR Operating Limit for Incremental Cycle Core Average
Exposure for Operation above 75% of Rated Thermal Power with
Three Steam Lines in Service

Cycle 17 Exposure Range	All Fuel Types
BOC to <EOC – 2.7 GWD/ST	1.41
EOC – 2.7 GWD/ST to EOC	1.45

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

- NOTE: 1. When entering a new Exposure Range, check the current value of τ to assure adjustment per Step 7.1.4
2. Applicable for any value of K, see Step 7.5.2

TABLE 8.1.B

MCPR Operating Limit for Operation with Turbine Bypass Valves
Out of Service

Cycle 17 Exposure Range	All Fuel Types
ALL	1.47

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

Technical Specification LCO 3.7.6, Main Turbine Bypass System

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

- NOTE:** 1. When entering a new Exposure Range, check the current value of τ to assure adjustment per Step 7.1.4
2. Applicable for any value of K , see Step 7.5.2

TABLE 8.1.C

MCPR Operating Limit for Operation with Final Feedwater
Temperature Reduction

Cycle 17 Exposure Range	All Fuel Types
At EOC only (see below)	1.43

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

NOTE: 1. When entering a new Exposure Range, check the current value of τ to assure adjustment per Step 7.1.4

2. Applicable for any value of K, see Step 7.5.2

MCPR Operating Limits in this table apply when at reduced feedwater temperature near end-of-cycle, see JD-02-122 (Reference 3.14) for further information.

TABLE 8.2

Maximum LHGR – GE14

Peak Pellet Exposure	UO ₂ LHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	13.40
14.51	13.40
57.61	8.00
63.50	5.00

Peak Pellet Exposure	Most Limiting Gadolinia LHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	12.26
12.28	12.26
55.00	7.32
60.84	4.57

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.3, Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

Design features of the fuel assemblies in the Cycle 17 core are provided in References 3.3, 3.16

For single loop operation these LHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78

Linearly interpolate for LHGR at intermediate exposure

TABLE 8.2.A

Maximum LHGR – GE12

Peak Pellet Exposure	UO ₂ LHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	11.80
13.24	11.80
63.50	6.39

Peak Pellet Exposure	Most Limiting Gadolinia LHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	11.35
11.69	11.35
63.50	6.20

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.3, Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

Design features of the fuel assemblies in the Cycle 17 core are provided in References 3.3, 3.16

For single loop operation these LHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78

Linearly interpolate for LHGR at intermediate exposure

TABLE 8.3

Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel

Average Planar Exposure	APLHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	12.82
14.51	12.82
19.13	12.82
57.61	8.00
63.50	5.00

TABLE 8.3.A

Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel

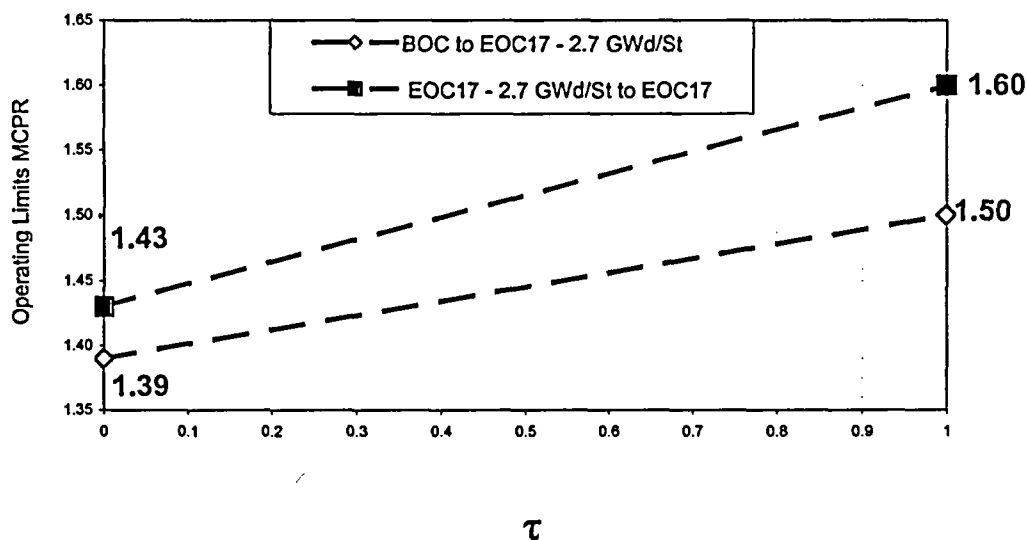
Average Planar Exposure	APLHGR Limit
GWd/ST	kW/ft
0.00	10.62
13.24	10.62
24.20	10.62
63.50	6.39

Technical Specification LCO 3.2.1, Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

For single loop operation these APLHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78

Linearly interpolate for APLHGR at intermediate exposure

FIGURE 8.1
MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ
For All Fuel Types



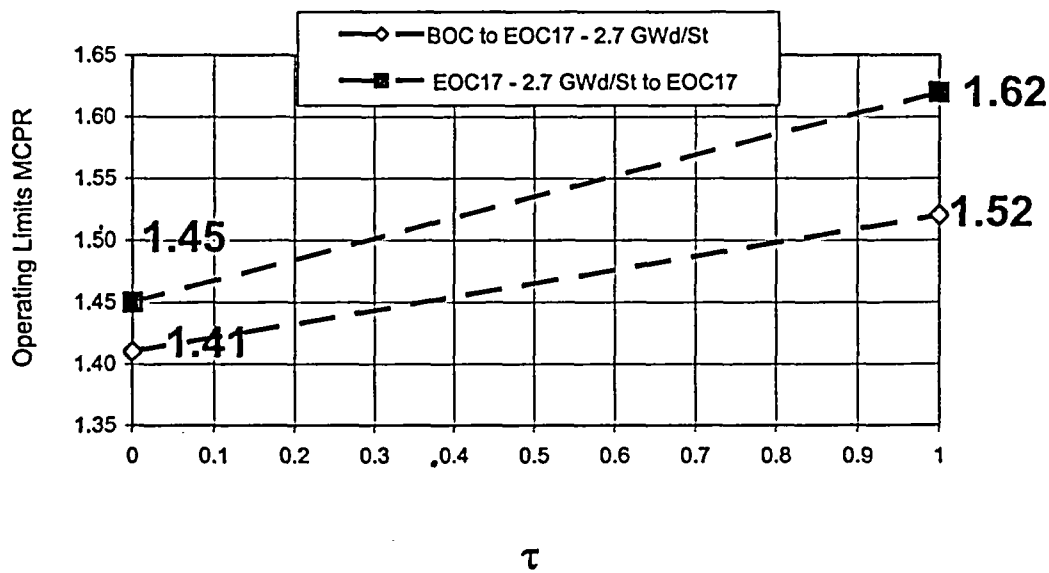
Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

NOTE: Should the operating limit MCPR obtained from this figure be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3 for the applicable RBM Upscale Rod Block trip level setting then 7.1.3 shall apply (Not applicable in Cycle 17).

FIGURE 8.1.A

**MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ
For Operating Above 75% of Rated
Thermal Power with Three Steam
Lines in Service For all Fuel Types**



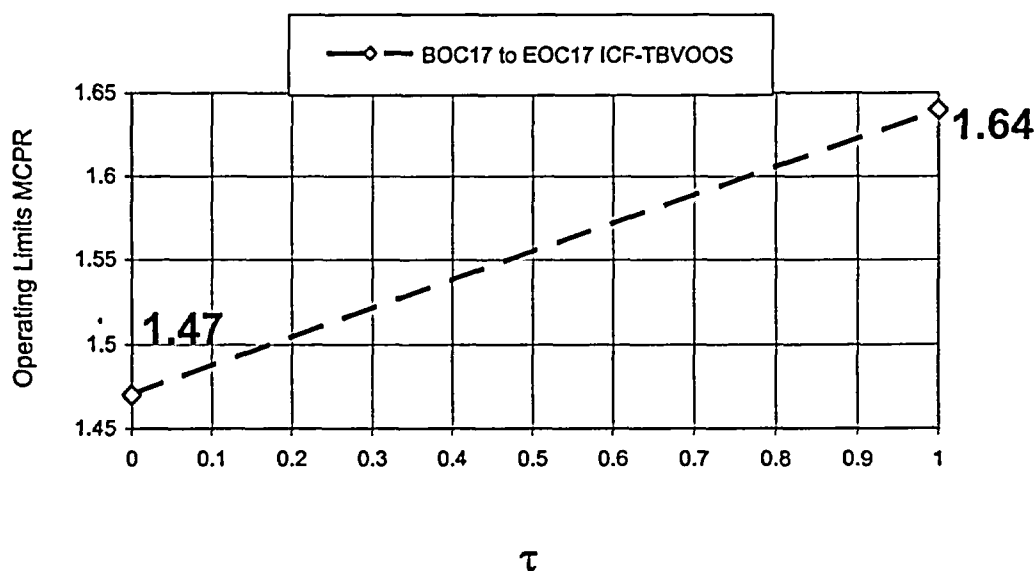
Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

NOTE: Should the operating limit MCPR obtained from this figure be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3 for the applicable RBM Upscale Rod Block trip level setting then 7.1.3 shall apply (Not applicable in Cycle 17).

FIGURE 8.1.B

MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ
for Operation with Turbine Bypass
Valves Out of Service



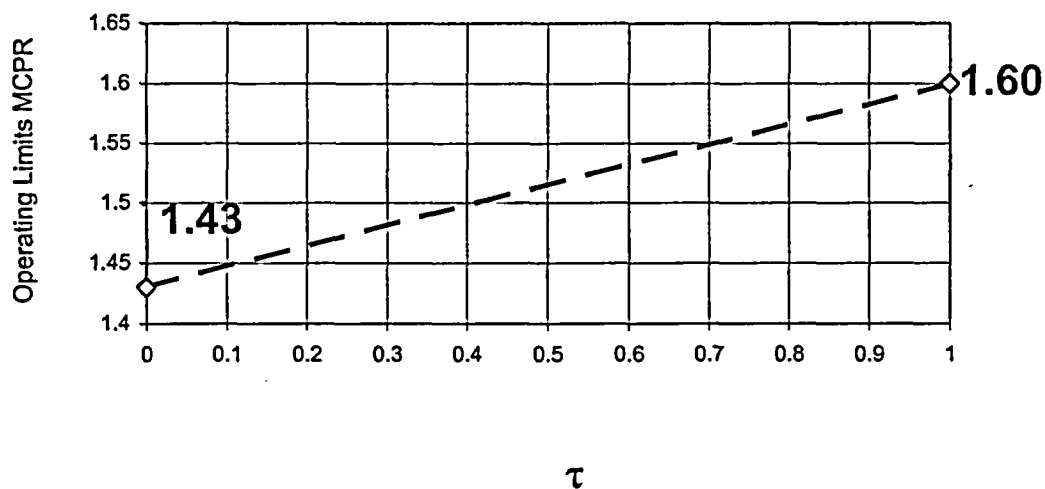
Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

NOTE: Should the operating limit MCPR obtained from this figure be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3 for the applicable RBM Upscale Rod Block trip level setting then 7.1.3 shall apply (Not applicable in Cycle 17).

FIGURE 8.1.C

MCPR Operating Limit Versus τ
for Operation with Final Feedwater
Temperature Reduction

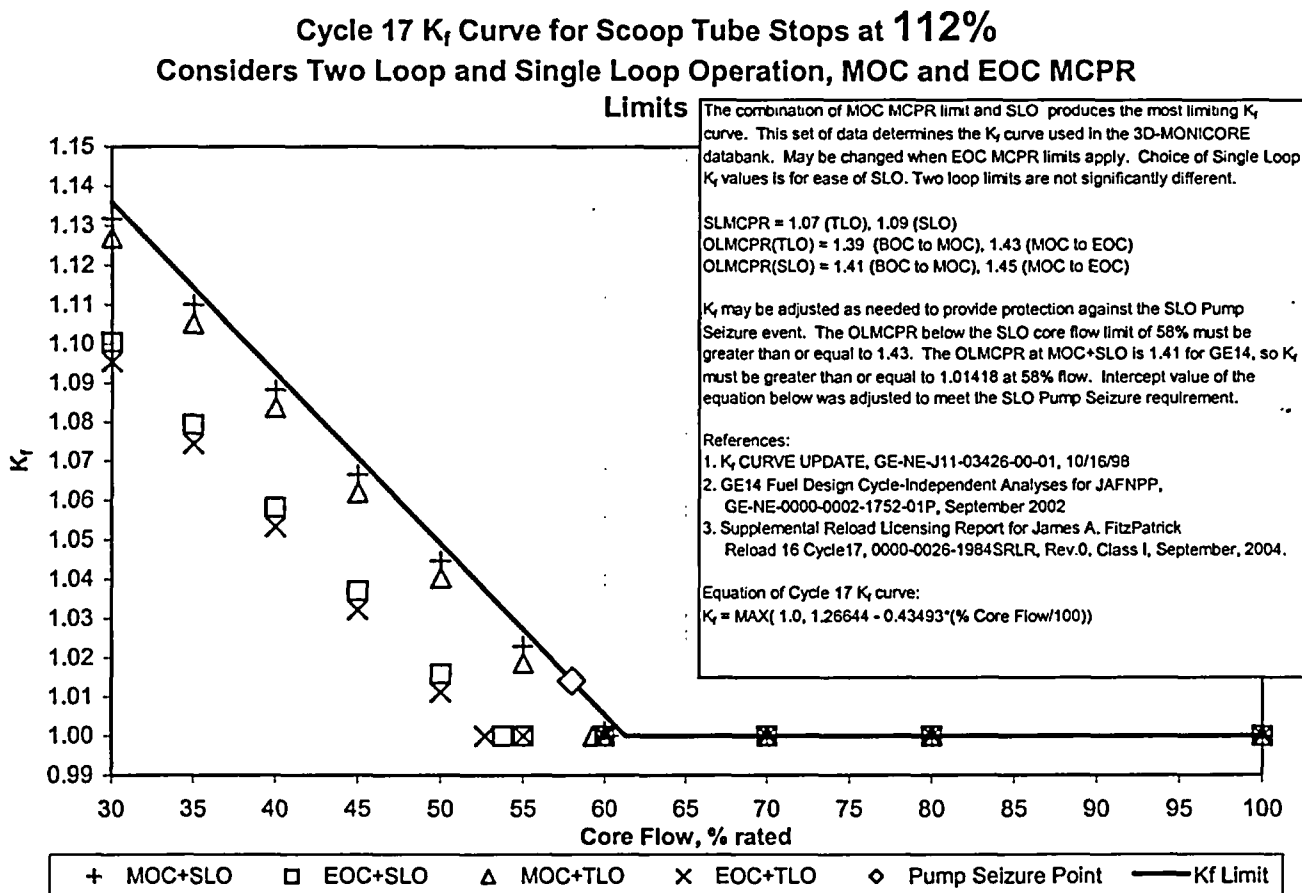


Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

For single loop operation, these limits shall be increased as given in Section 7.1.5.

NOTE: Should the operating limit MCPR obtained from this figure be less than the operating limit MCPR found in 7.1.3 for the applicable RBM Upscale Rod Block trip level setting then 7.1.3 shall apply (Not applicable in Cycle 17).

FIGURE 8.2

 K_f Factor

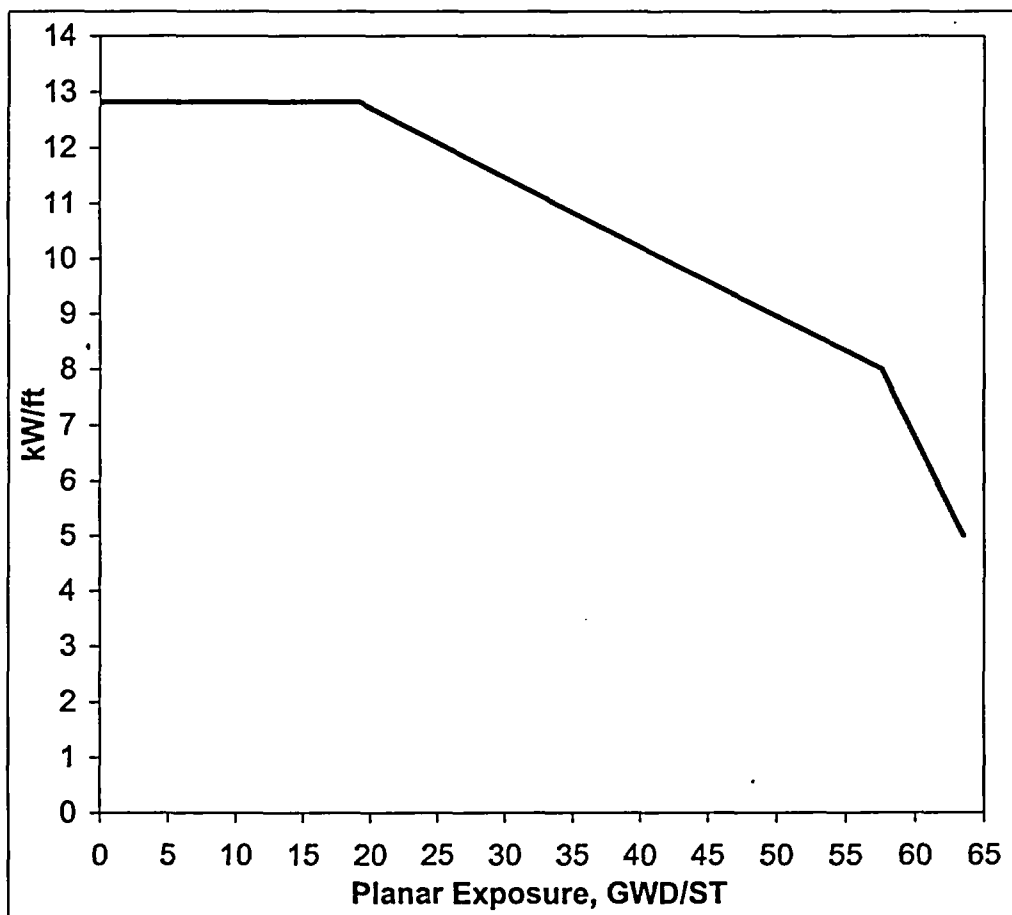
Technical Specification LCO 3.2.2, Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

See Section 7.7

NOTE: K_f for Single Loop Operation is slightly greater than for Dual Loop Operation limits. Therefore, K_f calculated for Single Loop Operation is more conservative and will be applied to Dual Loop Operation as well.

FIGURE 8.3

Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel

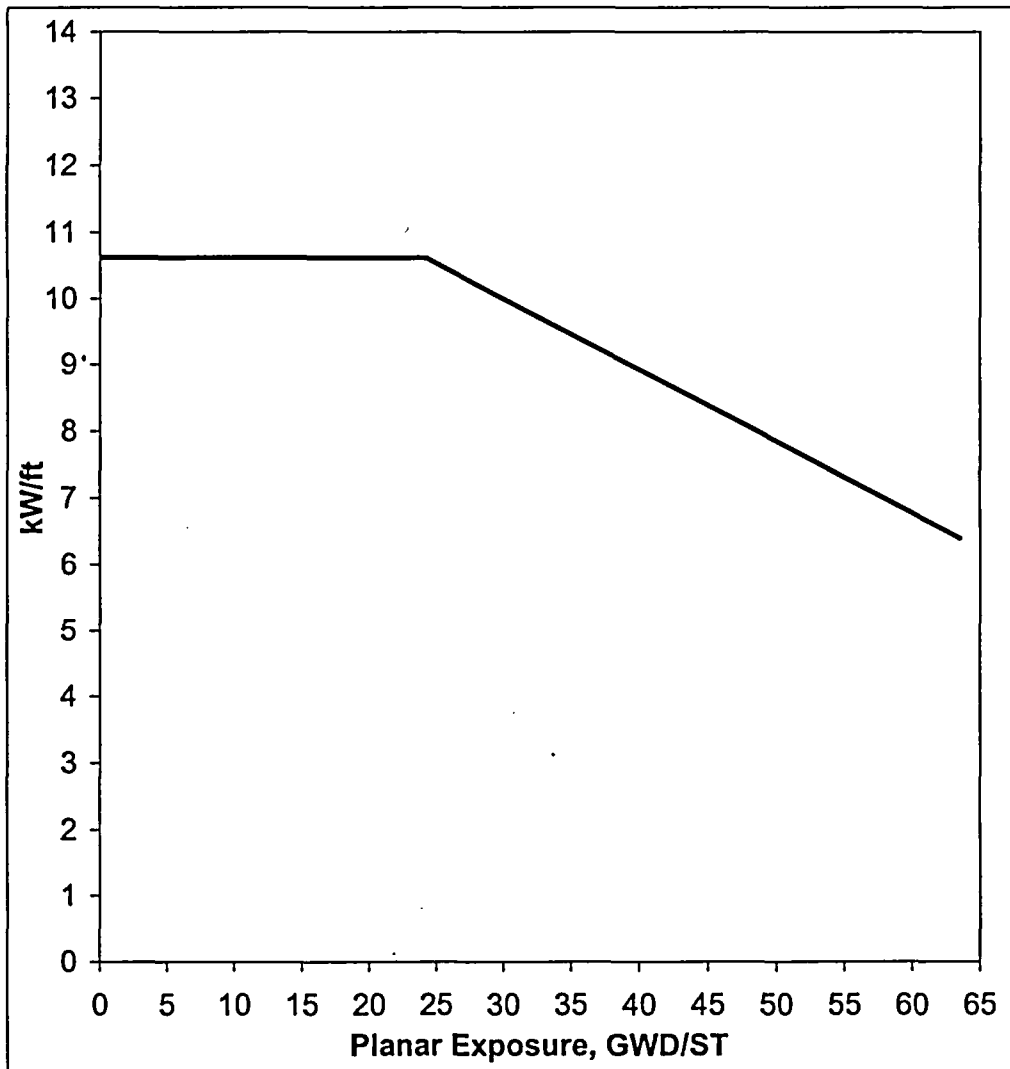


Technical Specification LCO 3.2.1, Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

For single loop operation these APLHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78.

FIGURE 8.3.A

Exposure Dependent APLHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel



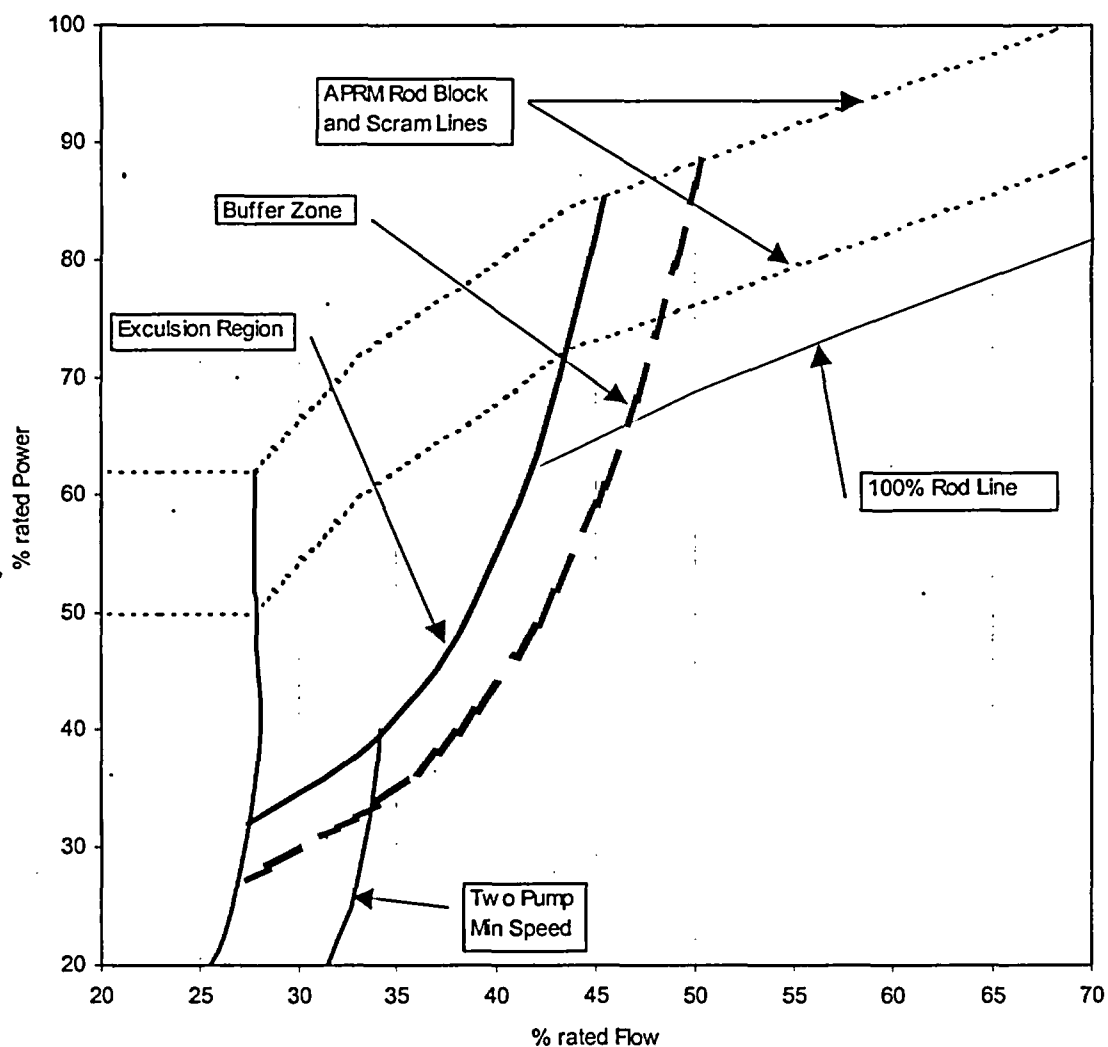
Technical Specification LCO 3.2.1, Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)

For single loop operation these APLHGR values shall be multiplied by 0.78.

FIGURE 8.4

Stability Option 1-D Exclusion Region

THE EXCLUSION REGION SHOWN BELOW IS
APPLICABLE TO A CYCLE 17 EXPOSURE OF 9000
MWD/ST (see CR-JAF-2004-04360)

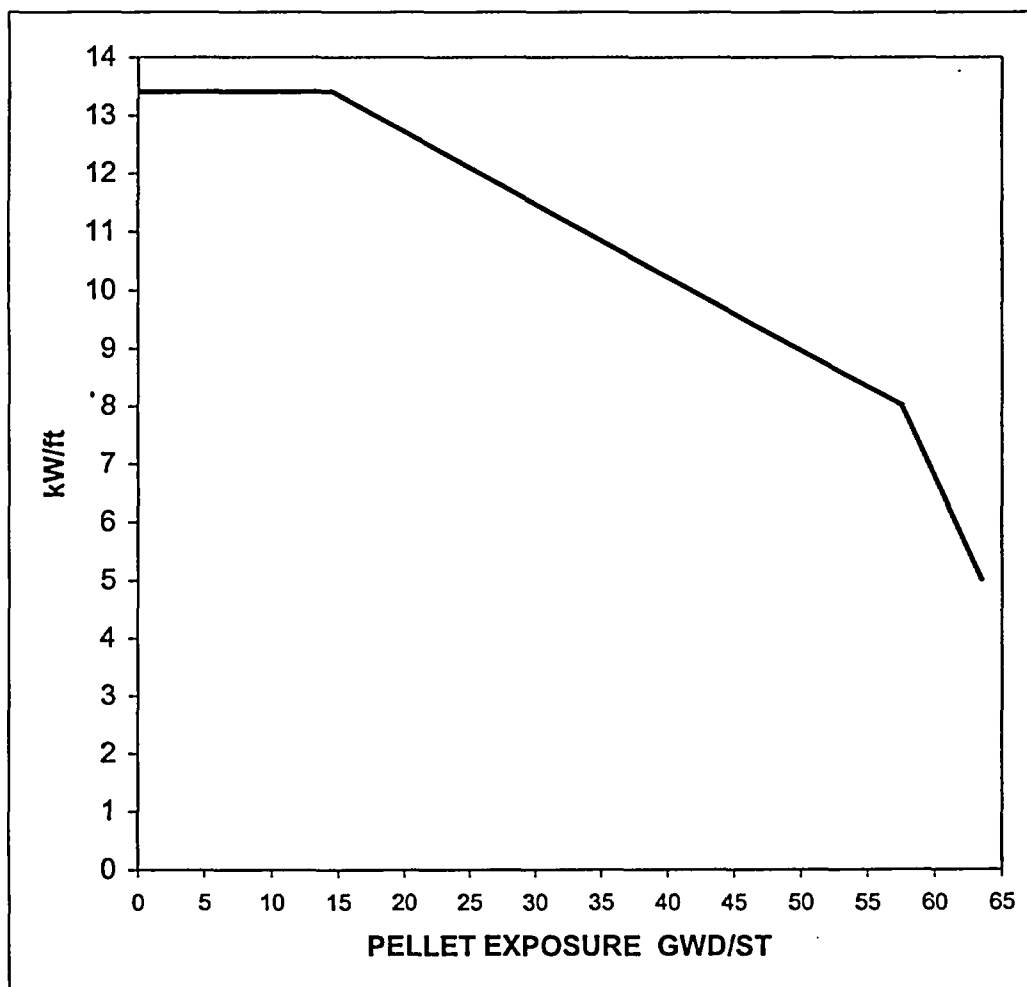


Technical Specification LCO 3.4.1, Recirculation Loops Operating

References 3.17, 3.18

FIGURE 8.5

Exposure Dependent LHGR Limit for GE14 Fuel



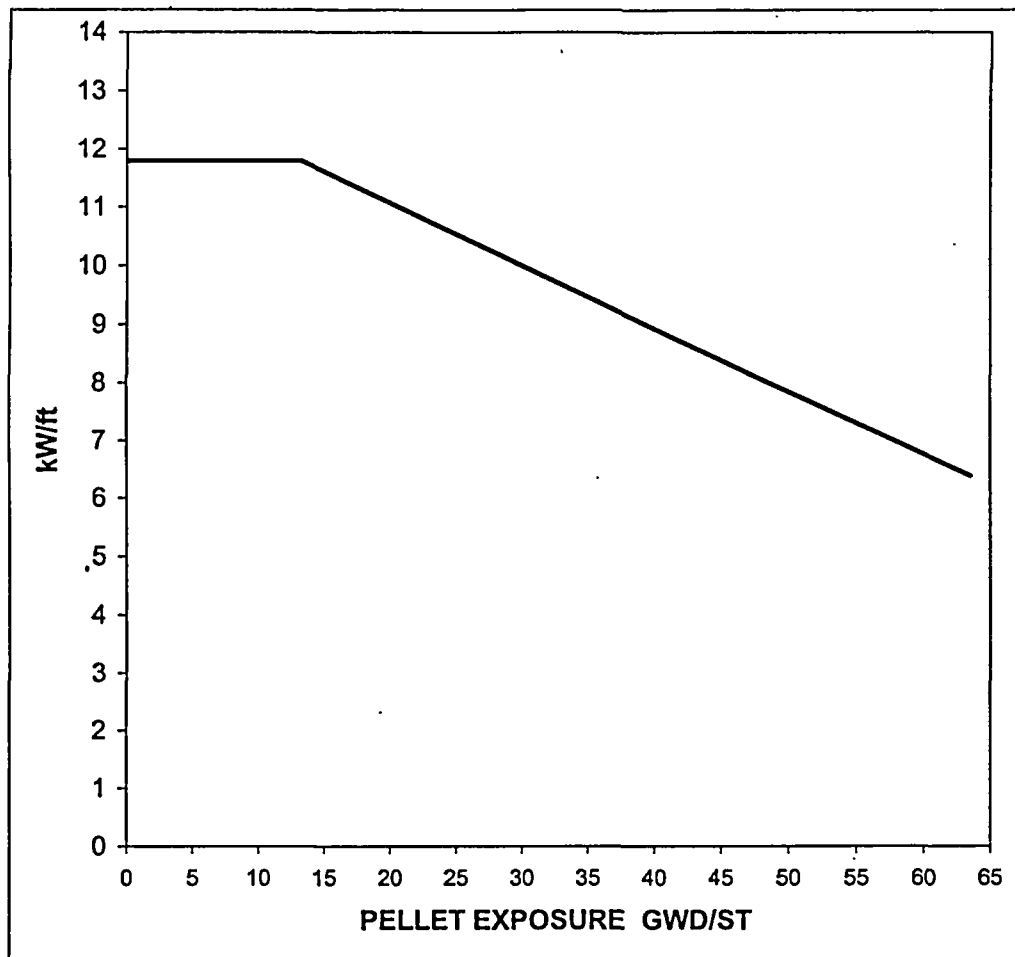
Technical Specification LCO 3.2.3, Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

This curve represents the limiting exposure dependent LHGR values per Reference 3.16

Design features of the fuel assemblies in the Cycle 17 core are provided in Reference 3.3

FIGURE 8.5.A

Exposure Dependent LHGR Limit for GE12 Fuel



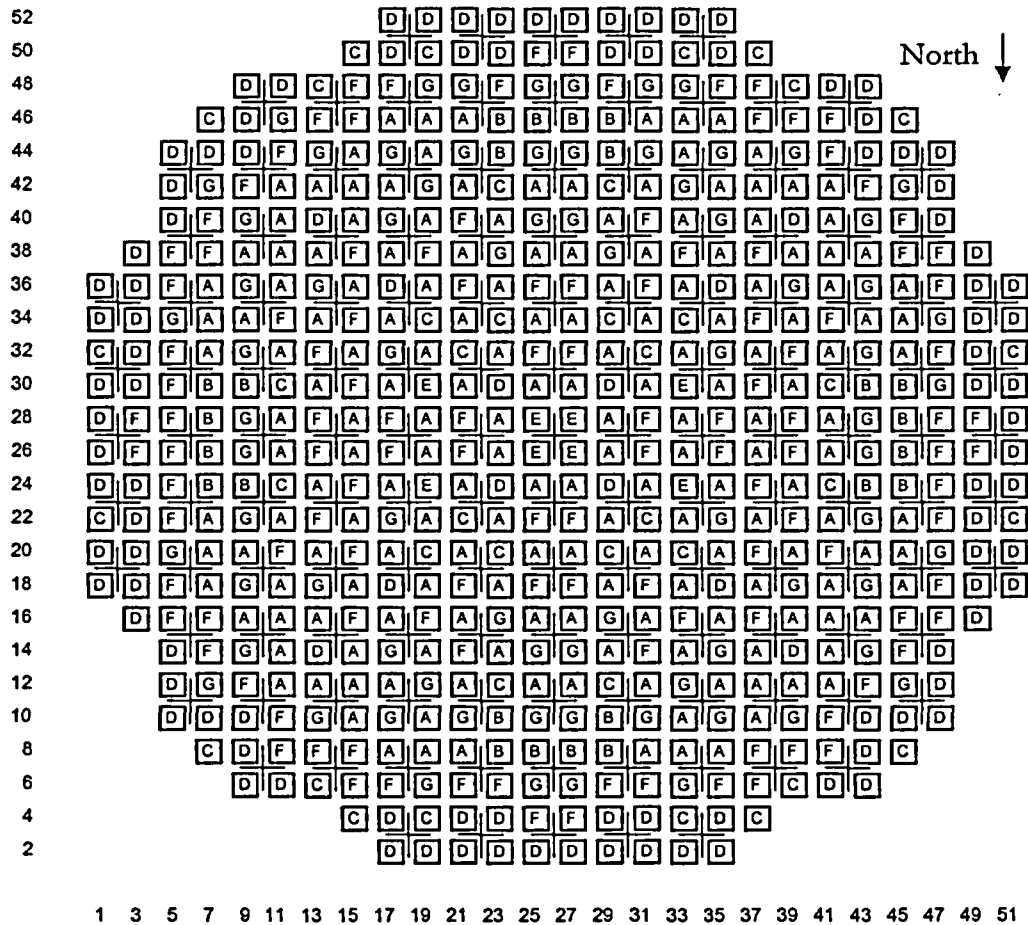
Technical Specification LCO 3.2.3, Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

This curve represents the limiting exposure dependent LHGR values per Reference 3.16

Design features of the fuel assemblies in the Cycle 17 core are provided in Reference 3.3

FIGURE 8.6

Cycle 17 Loading Pattern by Bundle Design



Fuel Type	
A=GE14-P10DNAB405-16GZ-100T-150-T6(Cycle 17)	E=GE12-P10DSB407-14G6.0-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 15)
B=GE14-P10DNAB405-15G6.0-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 17)	F=GE14-P10DNAB405-16GZ-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 16)
C=GE12-P10DSB405-16GZ-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 15)	G=GE14-P10DNAB405-16GZ-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 16)
D=GE12-P10DSB405-17GZ-100T-150-T6 (Cycle 15)	

FIGURE 8.7

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The COLR defines thermal limits for the various operating conditions expected during the cycle. At the start of the cycle the 3D-Monicores databank contains limits for;

- Cycle exposure range of BOC to < EOC17 – 2.7 GWD/ST
- $\tau = 0$
- Dual recirculation pump operation
- Four steam line operation, and
- Operation with Turbine Bypass Valves Out-of-Service
- Final Feedwater Temperature Reduction

The following is a table that offers a check to assure the correct limits are applied when operating states or conditions change.

Change in Operating State	Change in Limits	Procedure Reference
Cycle Exposure, = EOC17 – 2.7 GWD/ST OLMCPR changes to EOC values at cycle exposure of 12.0 GWD/ST	See Table 8.1(8.1.A for 3SL) or Figure 8.1 for $\tau \neq 0$ (8.1.A for 3SL) for change in MCPR. K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	None
Scram Time Test Results such that $\tau \neq 0$ Option B limits for OLMCPR must be interpolated with Option A limits	Use new τ and see Figure 8.1 or 8.1.A for 3SL. K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	RAP-7.4.1
Single Loop Operation The SLMCPR increases by 0.02 and therefore OLMCPR limits increase by 0.02. MFLPD and MAPLHGR are reduced by a multiplier in SLO.	Increase MCPR Limits by 0.02, or change acceptance criterion in ST-5E to 0.98. K_f does not change. Verify that 3D-Monicores has recognized the idle recirculation loop and is applying the SLO MFLPD and MAPLHGR multiplier of 0.78.	RAP-7.4.2, ST-5E, RAP-7.3.25
Three Steam Line Operation (3SL) OLMCPR values increase by 0.02 when operating on 3SL	Increase OLMCPR according to Table 8.1.A or Figure 8.1.A($\tau \neq 0$). K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	None
Operation with Turbine Bypass Valves Out-of-Service OLMCPR values increase, no LHGR change required	Increase OLMCPR according to Table 8.1.B or Figure 8.1.B($\tau \neq 0$). K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	None
Operation under Final Feedwater Temperature Reduction OLMCPR values increase, no LHGR change required	Increase OLMCPR according to Table 8.1.C or Figure 8.1.C($\tau \neq 0$). K_f limit <u>may</u> be changed in recognition of higher OLMCPR.	None