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REFERENCE: Docket No. 50-186
University of Missouri- Columbia Research Reactor
Amended Facility License R-103

SUBJECT: MURR Operations Monthly Summary

Dear Mr. Adams:

Enclosed is a copy of MURR's Monthly Operations Summary for August 2005. If you have any questions, please contact me at (573) 882-5276.

Sincerely,

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RESEARCH REACTOR

OPERATIONS MONTHLY SUMMARY

August 2005

Prepared by:
Operations Staff

INTRODUCTION

The reactor operated continuously in August with the following exceptions: 5 shutdowns for scheduled maintenance and refueling; 1 unscheduled shutdown (power reduction).

MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES

8/1/05	Refueled - removed core 05-35, loaded core 05-36. Replaced the Fan Failure Logic Relay (CP-1) in the building exhaust ventilation fan failure circuit.
8/8/05	Refueled - removed core 05-36, loaded core 05-37.
8/15/05	Refueled - removed core 05-37, loaded core 05-38. Transferred the used Be reflector and the tantalum wedge from pool storage to a cask stored in the facility basement. Installed the rebuilt instrument cabinet cooling fan.
8/22/05	Refueled - removed core 05-38, loaded core 05-39.
8/29/05	Refueled - removed core 05-39, loaded core 05-40.

UNSCHEDULED POWER REDUCTIONS

<u>Date</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Cause</u>
8/22/05	1183	Rod Run In	Nuclear Instrumentation Short Period

On August 22, during a normal reactor startup, a Nuclear Instrumentation Channel No. 3 Short Period Rod Run-In occurred when an "Anti-Siphon Tank Hi-Lo Pressure" annunciator alarm initiated. The control rods had been withdrawn to a height of approximately two inches from the fully inserted position when the rod run-in occurred. Anti-Siphon System pressure had lowered to the alarm set point as a result of system cool-down prior to startup. The rod run-in was most likely caused by electrical "noise" from the annunciator alarm. A reactor startup was subsequently performed to 10 MW operation.

OPERATION SUMMARY FOR MONTH OF
University of Missouri Research Reactor Center (MURR)

Aug-05

HOURS OPERATED THIS PERIOD

671.53

TOTAL HOURS OPERATED, REACTOR

268,419.49

HOURS OPERATED AT FULL POWER, THIS PERIOD

669.82

TOTAL HOURS AT FULL POWER, REACTOR

265,053.27

INTEGRATED POWER THIS PERIOD

279.19

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TOTAL INTEGRATED POWER, REACTOR

104,641.02

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