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1. The staff requested the applicant to describe the method and frequency of inspection for the spent fuel pool (SFP) water level. The applicant stated that the SFP water level is monitored daily by operations personnel visually and electronically.
2. The staff requested the applicant to describe sampling criteria for the detection of aging effects. The applicant stated that there is no sampling criteria, and that all accessible surfaces are inspected during a system condition monitoring walkdown. If any aging degradation is found, an evaluation will be performed to determine if the inspection should be expanded into inaccessible areas. While the program inspects only accessible surfaces, inaccessible surfaces can be monitored by looking at like materials in like environments that are accessible.
3. The staff requested the applicant to describe how the results of system condition monitoring inspections are trended. The applicant stated that system degradation is addressed and evaluated through the site corrective action program. Degradation meeting minimum acceptance criteria, such as minor leakage, would be trended and evaluated to determine if an increased inspection frequency would be warranted.
4. The staff requested the applicant to discuss plant operating experience associated with the ability of the System Condition Monitoring Aging Management Program to detect aging degradation. The applicant stated that several examples of degradation had been detected during the system walkdowns.

The staff found the applicant's responses acceptable, and no formal RAI would be sent.

Enclosure 2