

ENCLOSURE 4

Final AP1000 Suitable Equivalent Insulation Testing Technical Report - Pre-submittal Meeting  
(Non-Proprietary)





# AP1000 Suitable Equivalent Insulation Testing Technical Report – Presubmittal Meeting Westinghouse Electric Company





- Public portion of meeting





## Purpose and Objective

- **AP1000** ITAACs state that Metal Reflective Insulation (MRI) or a “Suitable Equivalent” will be used for major RCS components, or for all components within the LOCA Zone of Influence or Flood up Level
- Section 6. Engineered Safety Features
  - Suitable equivalent defined as “In order to qualify as a suitable equivalent insulation, testing must be performed that subjects the insulation to conditions that bound the **AP1000** conditions and demonstrates that debris would not be generated”

**Purpose of the qualification testing and associated technical report: demonstrate that non-metallic insulation (NMI) does not produce debris in case of a LOCA**





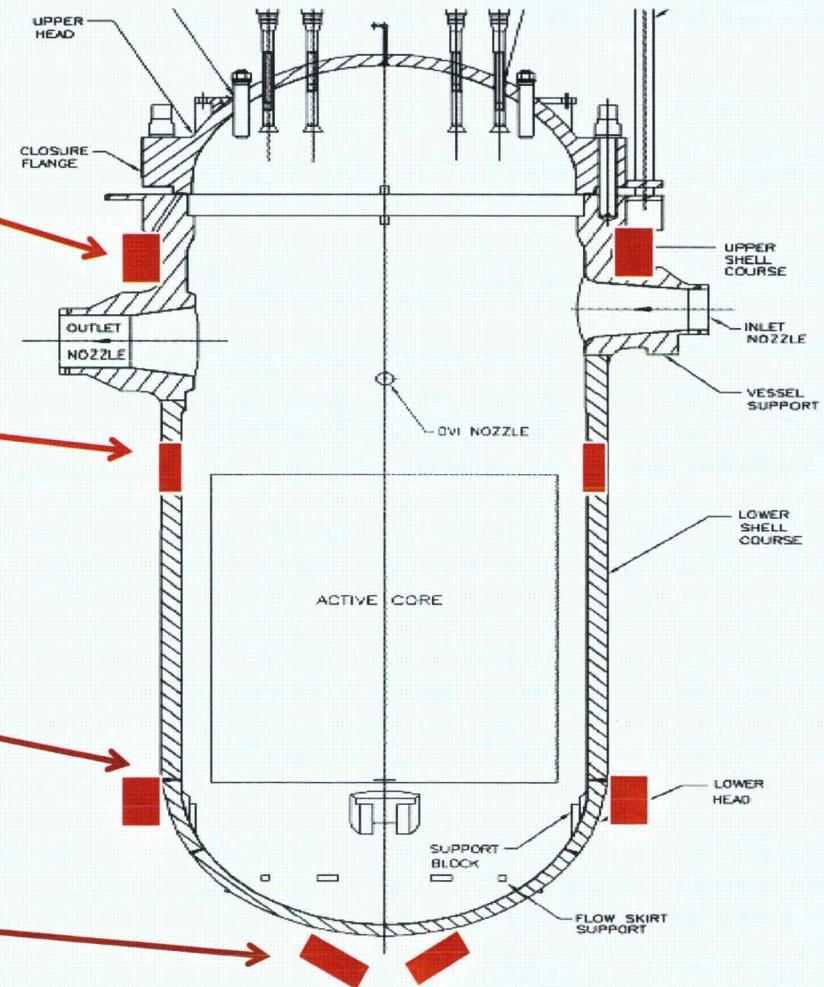
# Non-Metallic Insulation Locations

CA31 Neutron Shielding  
(105'-2" elevation)

MN20 Upper  
Neutron Shielding  
(98'-0" elevation)

MN20 Lower  
Neutron Shielding  
(78'-0" elevation)

MN20 Water  
Inlet Doors  
(71'-6" elevation)





## Purpose of Non-Metal Insulation

- MN20 & CA31 Neutron Shielding
  - Maintains neutron shielding below operating temperature
  - Reduces heat loss from reactor vessel
  - Insulation required with very limited space available
    - Efficient/thin insulation maximizes shielding volume
    - Metal reflective insulation thickness would be too thick
    - The gap between the shielding and the reactor vessel must be free to provide an ex-vessel cooling steam flow path
- MN20 Water Inlet Doors
  - Buoyant lightweight insulation
  - Reduces heat loss from reactor vessel





# Testing Overview

From Regulatory Guide 1.82:

*Such debris can be divided into the following categories:*

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## Testing Overview (cont'd)

- Jet Impingement Testing
  - MN20 Upper neutron shielding and CA31 neutron shielding is located in the Zone of Influence of Reactor Coolant Loop and DVI pipe breaks
- Submergence Testing
  - MN20 and CA31 neutron shielding and Reactor Vessel Insulation System (RVIS) water inlet doors are located below the maximum containment flood up level (110.2 ft)
- To qualify as a suitable equivalent insulation, testing must be performed that subjects the insulation to conditions that bound the AP1000 design conditions and demonstrates that debris would not be generated





## Jet Impingement Testing – RECAP

- Testing required for 'suitable equivalent' verification
- Test facility capable of producing representative LOCA jet
- Test condition scaled to AP1000
  - NRC approved ANSI 58.2
- Test target actual component
- Test target configuration conservative to actual installation
- Jet impingement testing confirms that the Reactor Vessel Neutron Shielding Panels are a suitable equivalent insulation for use in the **AP1000** containment

**Test will be conservative to actual plant application**





## Submergence Testing – General Procedure

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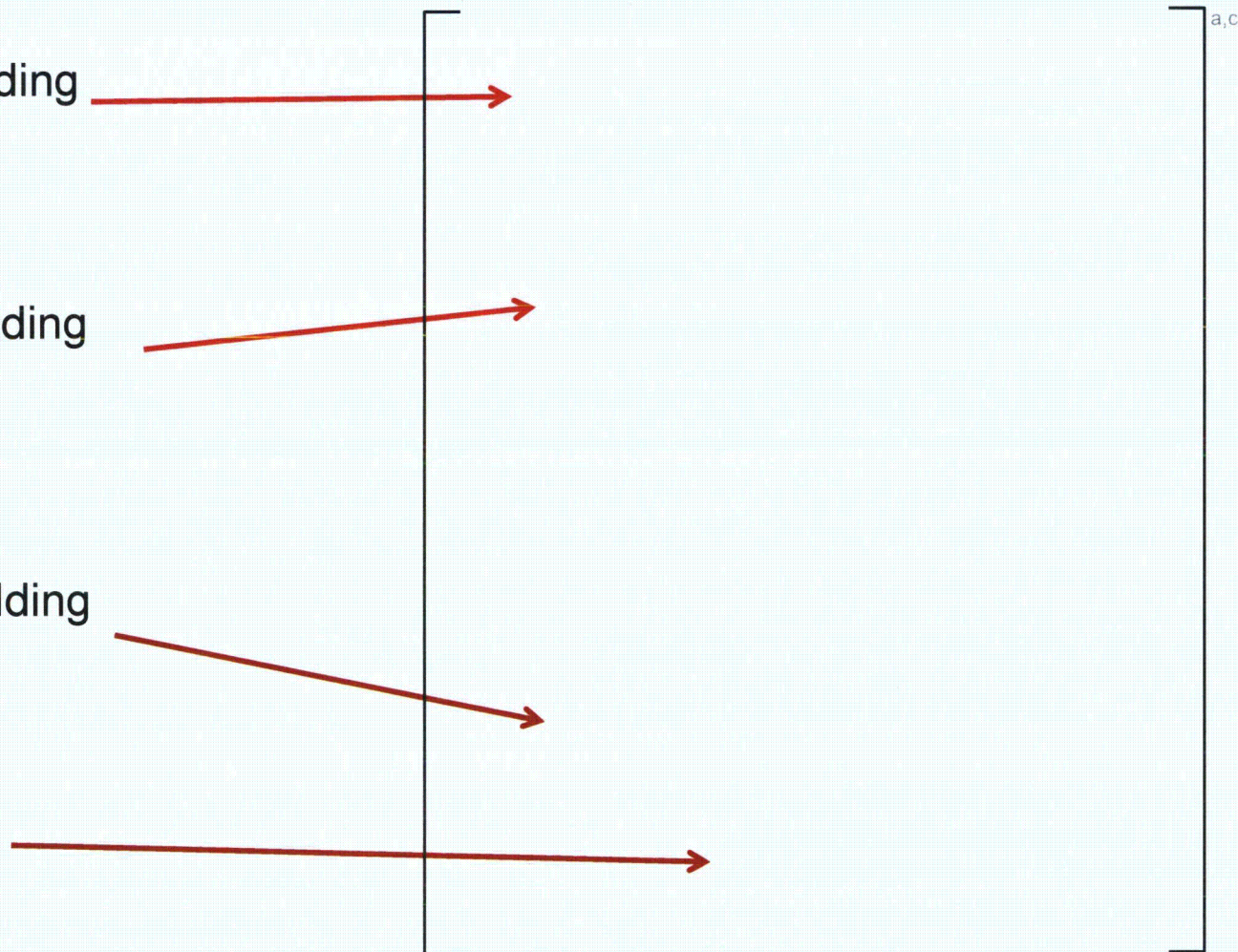
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## CA31 Neutron Shielding (cont'd)

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### Purpose

- Reduce radiation streaming from the reactor cavity annulus
- Reduce neutron activation of surrounding materials (cobalt)





## CA31 Neutron Shielding (cont'd)

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# MN20 Upper Neutron Shielding

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## MN20 Upper Neutron Shielding (cont'd)

### Purpose

- Reduce radiation streaming from the reactor cavity annulus
- Reduce neutron activation of surrounding materials (cobalt)





## MN20 Upper Neutron Shielding (cont'd)

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# Upper Neutron Shielding Plant Installed Configuration

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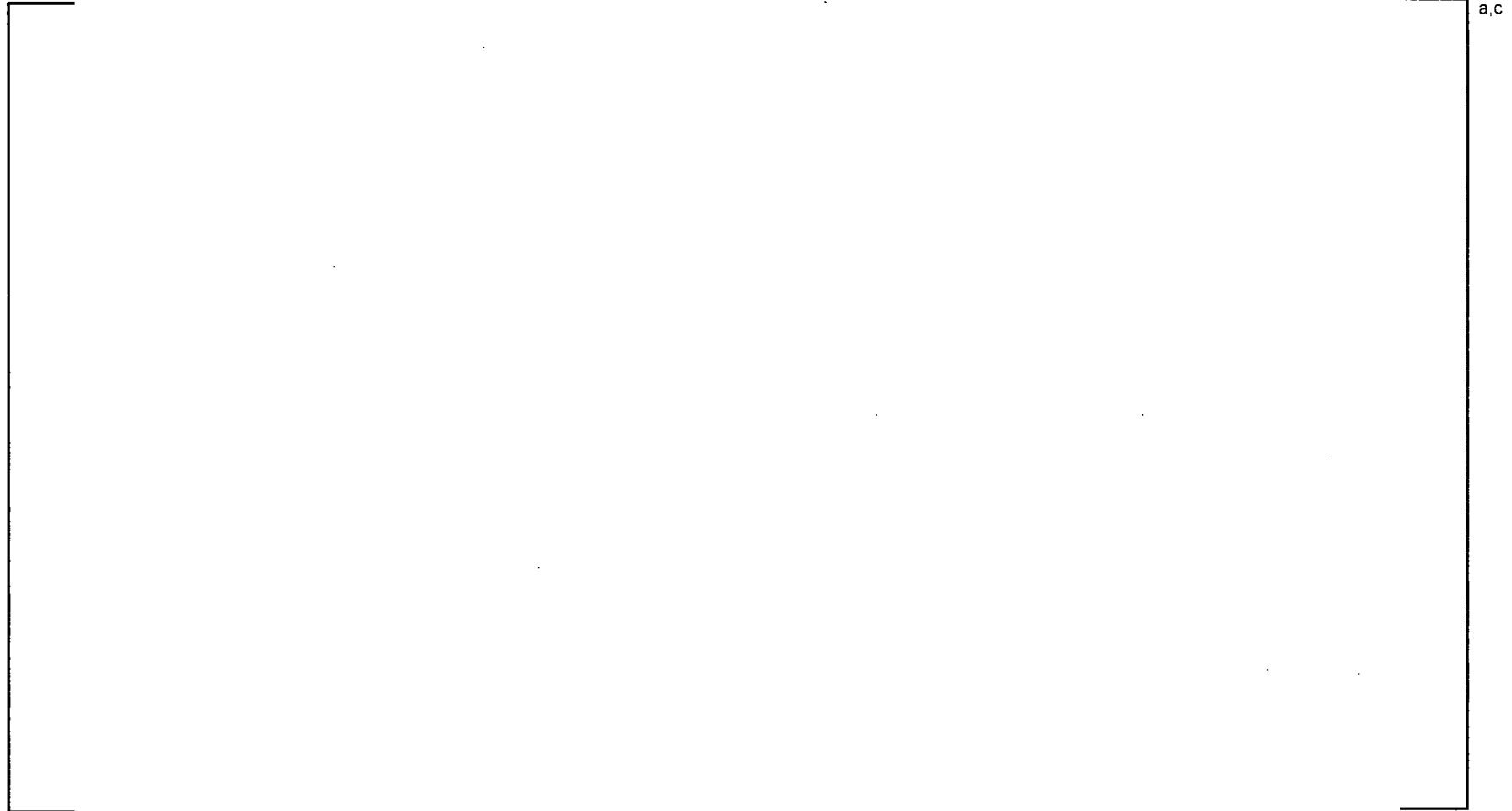
# Upper Neutron Shielding Plant Installed Configuration

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# MN20 Lower Neutron Shielding





## MN20 Lower Neutron Shielding (cont'd)

### Purpose

- Reduce radiation streaming into the lower reactor cavity
- Reduce neutron activation of surrounding materials (cobalt)





## MN20 Lower Neutron Shielding (cont'd)

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# MN20 Water Inlet Doors





## MN20 Water Inlet Doors (cont'd)

### Purpose

- Supports in-vessel retention following a severe accident
  - Buoyant doors permit water to access to the region between the reactor vessel and insulation

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## Tentative Schedule

- WEC start testing is late January 2014
  - Submergence testing will start January 19 2014
  - Jet Impingement Testing will start early March 2014
- WEC complete testing by March/April 2014
- WEC/NRC conduct Final Pre-submittal Meeting and WEC submits TR in May 2014
- NRC completes Acceptance Review for TR in June/July 2014
  - WEC submit WCAP to China Customers
- NRC submits final SE in November 2014
- WEC submits final TR in December 2014
- Install Non-MRI at Domestic Sites – January 2015





## Jet Impingement Testing – General

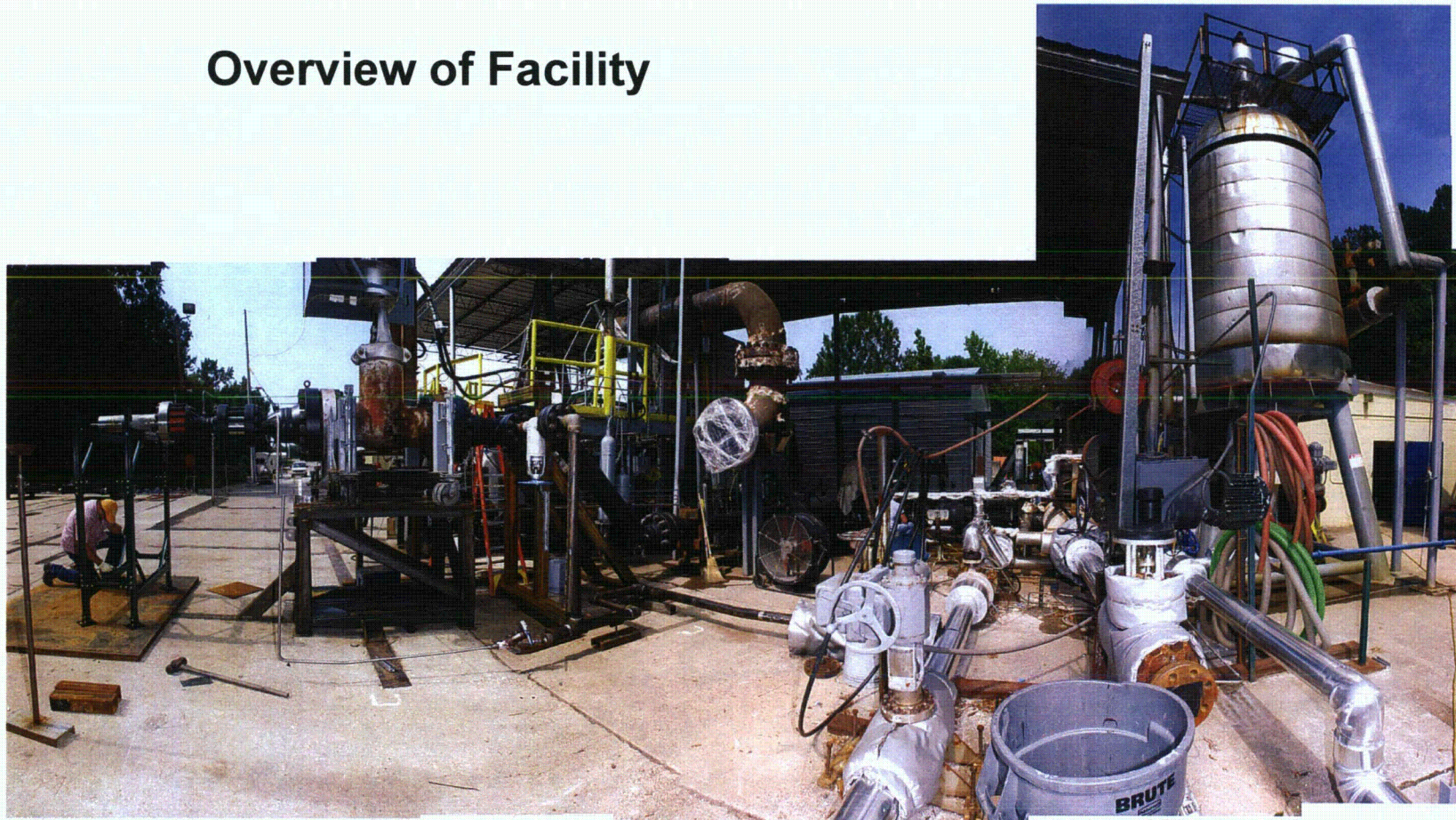
- Wyle Laboratories in Huntsville Alabama ‘High Flow’ test facility





# Jet Impingement Testing – Facility

## Overview of Facility





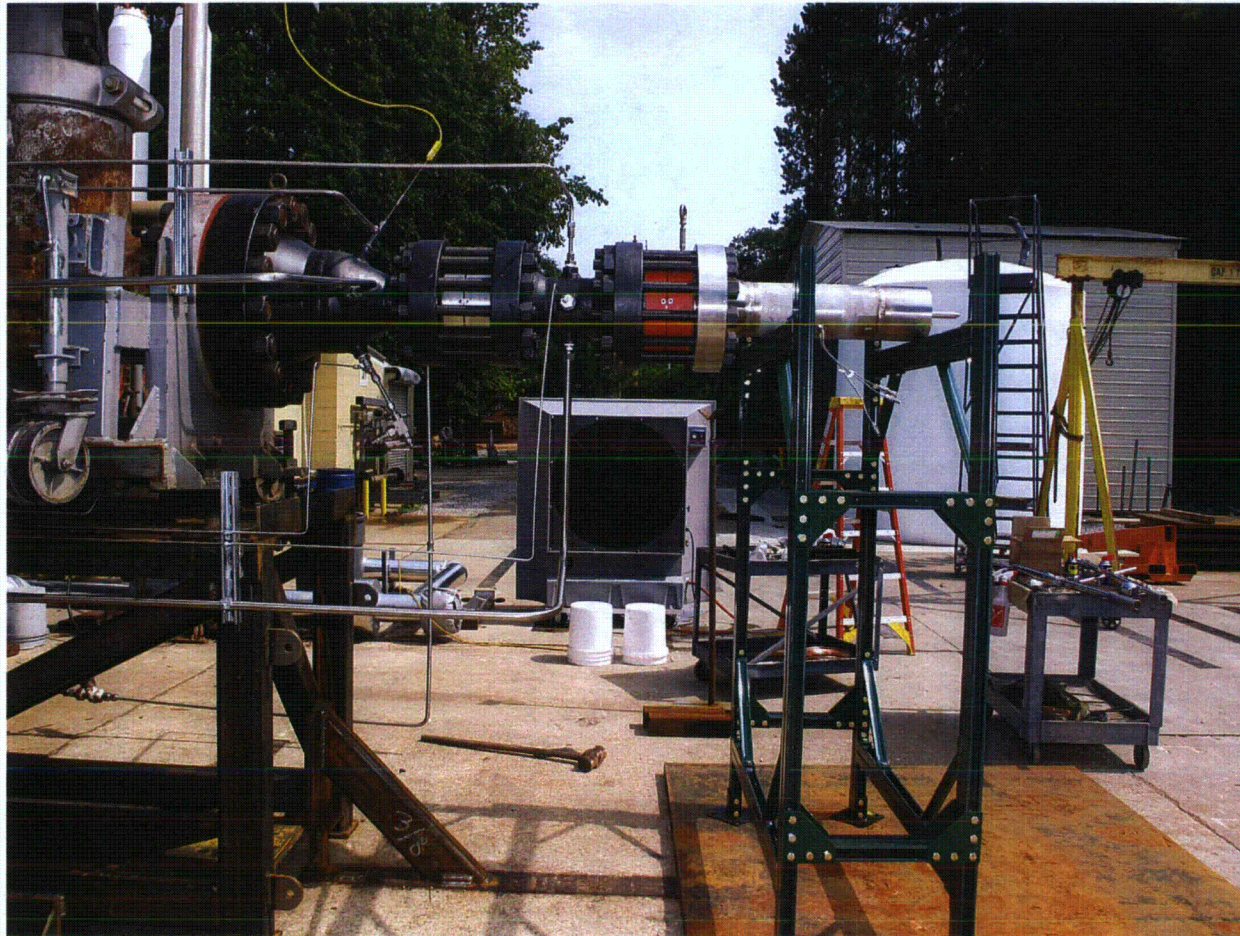
## Jet Impingement Testing – Facility (cont'd)

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# Jet Impingement Testing – General Procedure





# Jet Impingement Testing – General Procedure (cont'd)





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# Jet Impingement Testing – Applicability to AP1000

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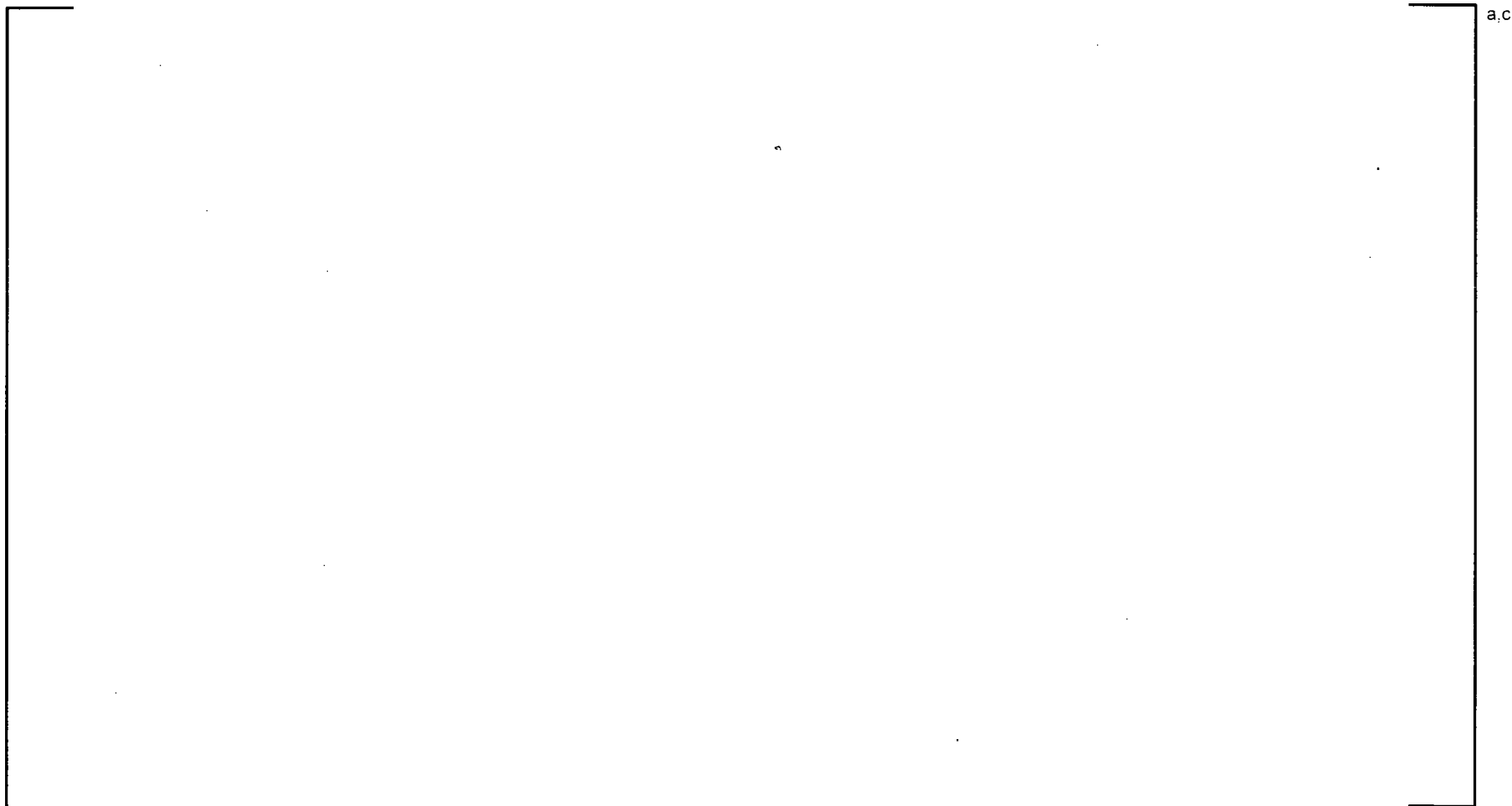


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# Jet Impingement Target



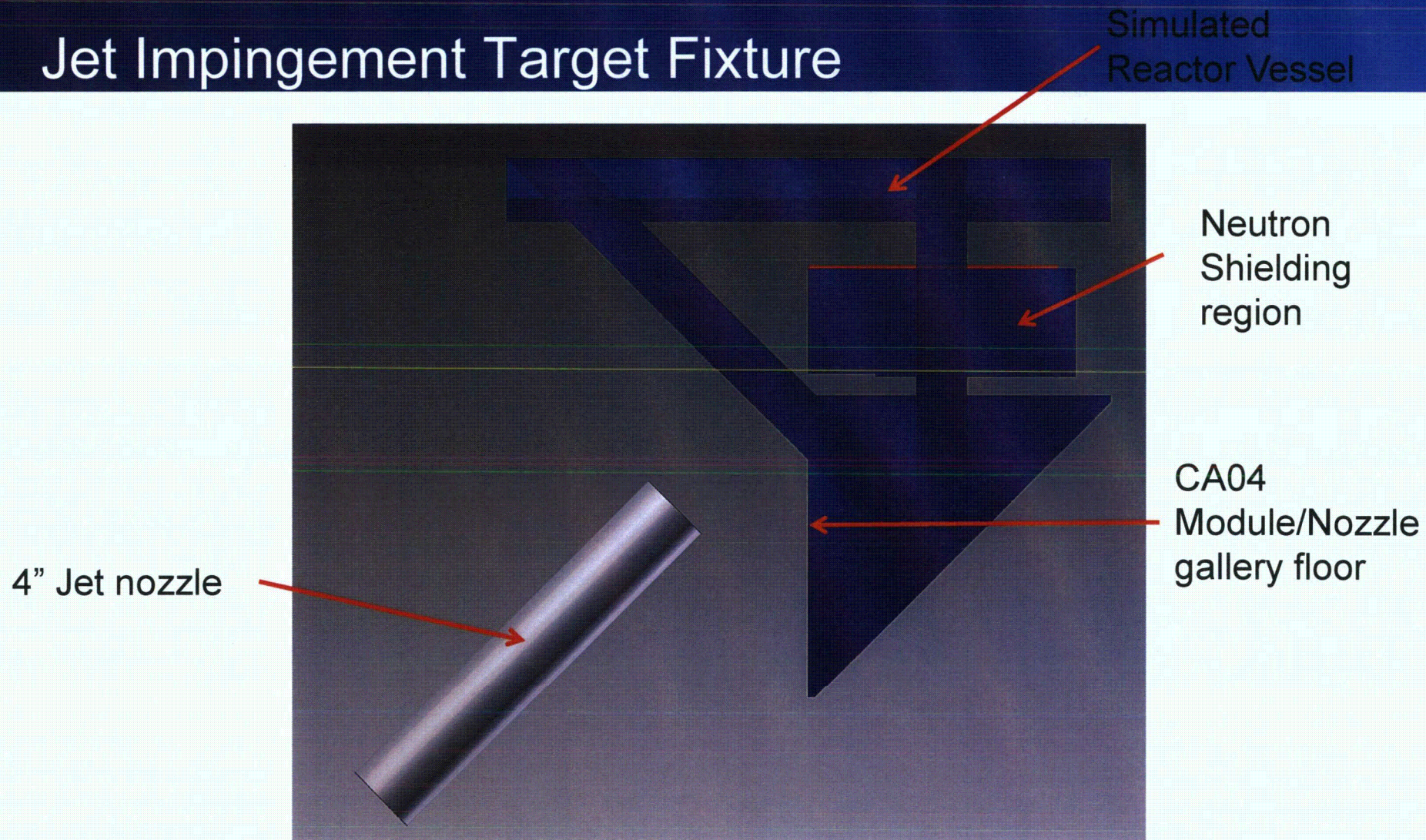


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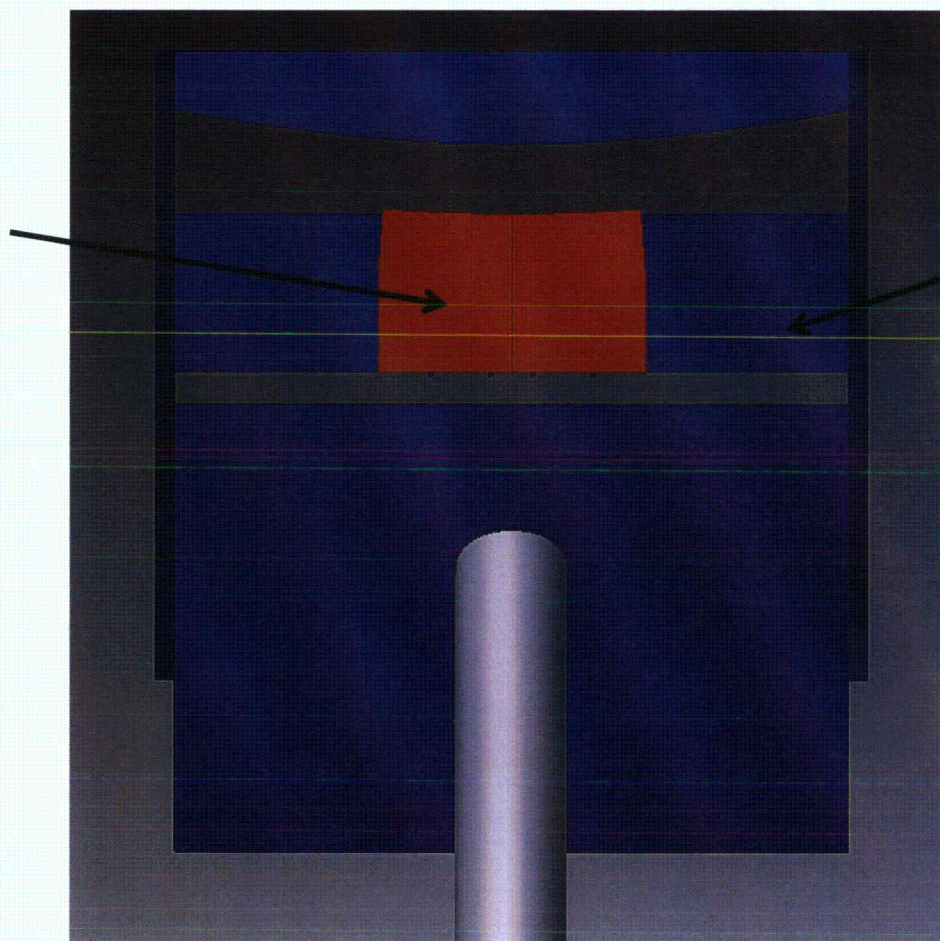
# Jet Impingement Target Fixture





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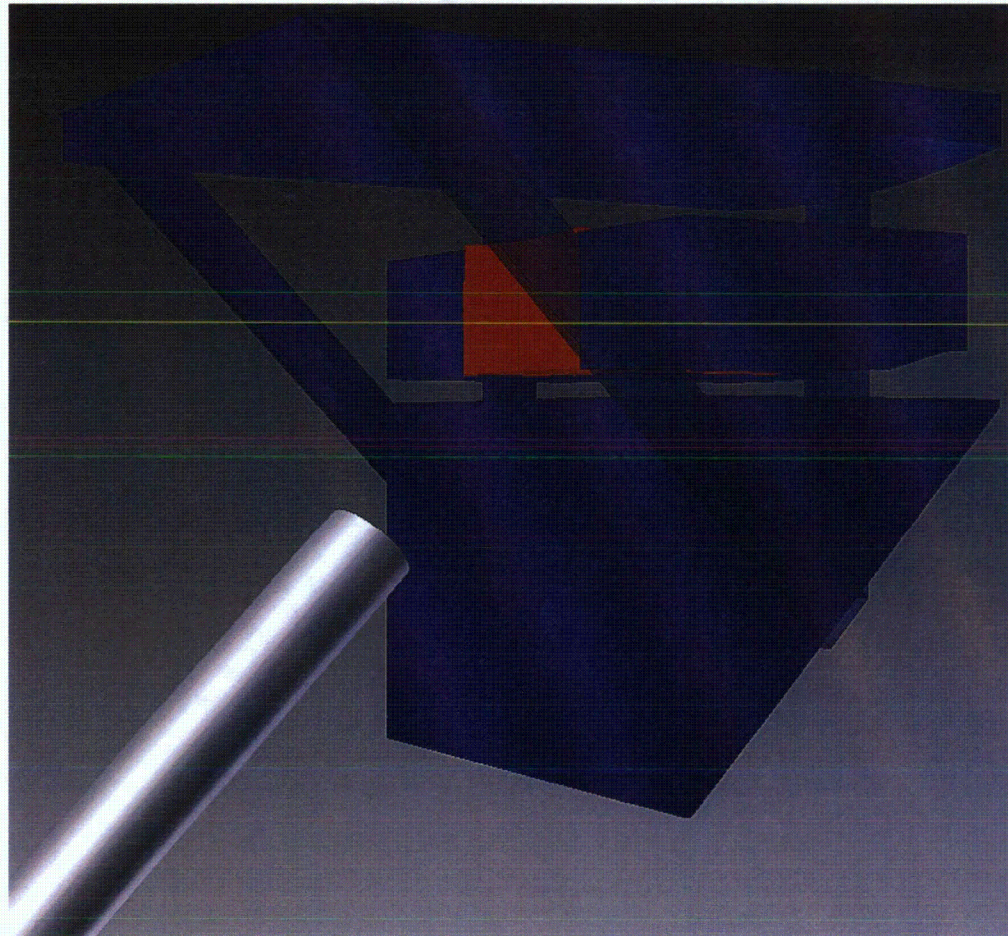
Upper Neutron  
Shielding targets



Simulated  
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**Testing approach aligns with  
submergence qualification of other  
AP1000 components**





# Submergence Conditions

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# Test Samples



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## Test Samples (cont'd)



# Test Samples (cont'd)





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# Fluid Analysis



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