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## REVISED RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### APR1400 Design Certification

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### **Question No. 06.02.02-14**

Review procedure #9 of SRP 6.2.2, "Containment Heat Removal Systems," addresses performance evaluations for equipment downstream of the IRWST sump strainer with regard to debris ingestion. To complete this review, additional information is needed. Technical Report APR1400-E-N-NR-14001-P, Section 4.2.2.4, "Post-LOCA Fluid Constituents," describes the total amount of debris generated during an LBLOCA and the methodology to determine the amount of debris that passes through the IRWST sump strainer. For reflective metal insulation (RMI), the applicant states the following:

Results of the NRC debris generation test documented in NUREG/CR-6808, "Knowledge Base for the Effect of Debris on Pressurized Water Reactor Emergency Core Cooling Sump performance", show that RMI debris size distribution ranges from 6.35 mm (0.25 inch) to 152.4 mm (6 inch). RMI debris will not bypass the sump screens and enter the ECCS because the size of the RMI debris is greater than the perforated plate hole diameter of the sump strainer. As a result, this evaluation assumes no RMI passes through the sump strainer.

The NRC staff requests that the applicant describe and provide technical justification in the technical report that the RMI testing referenced in NUREG/CR-6808 is applicable to the APR1400 reactor and provides reasonable assurance that RMI in the APR1400 reactor will not pass through the IRWST sump strainer. Also, the applicant is requested to describe in the technical report any specific RMI testing in addition to that referenced in NUREG/CR-6808.

### **Response - (Rev. 1)**

One of the tested RMIs in NUREG/CR-6808 will be selected. The DCD will be revised to include a COL information item which requires the COL applicant to confirm the RMI is one of the types tested in NUREG/CR-6808. In addition, the APR1400 has similar NSSS layout and plant operating conditions as US PWRs. Therefore, it is reasonable to apply NUREG/CR-6808 information to the APR1400.

As described in TR Section 3.4 and the response to RAI 25-7844 Question 06.02.02-10, the sump approach flow velocity (i.e., 0.088 m/s (0.29 ft/s)) at the IRWST is lower than the terminal settling velocity (i.e., 0.113 m/s (0.37 ft/s)) and lift over curb velocity (i.e., 0.256 m/s (0.84 ft/s)) of the RMI fine debris addressed in Table 4-2 of NEI 04-07. Therefore, RMI debris transported in the IRWST settles on the IWRST floor around the sump and does not rise to the strainer surface. Moreover, the minimum RMI foil size suggested in NUREG/CR-6808 is between 0.25 and 1 inch; therefore, even if RMI debris reached the strainers, it could not bypass the strainers.

In addition, even though all RMI fine debris is assumed to be transported to the IRWST throughout the containment bottom floor (El. 100 ft) and HVT, the design features to prevent debris particles including RMIs from reaching the strainers are provided as follows, as described in Section 2.3 of the TR.

- HVT trash racks: The HVT trash racks prevent debris particles larger than 38.1 mm (1.5 inch) from entering the HVT.
- HVT: Debris particles smaller than 38.1 mm (1.5 inch) may enter the HVT, but particles with high density will sink to the bottom of the HVT due to insufficient hydrodynamic force to spill over to the IRWST through the spillways located at a sufficiently high elevation.

There is no specific RMI test information because the APR1400 uses NUREG/CR-6808.

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#### **Impact on DCD**

DCD, Table 1.8-2, subsection 6.8.4.5.3, 6.8.6, and 6.8.7 will be revised as shown in the attachment associated with this response.

#### **Impact on PRA**

There is no impact on the PRA.

#### **Impact on Technical Specifications**

There is no impact on the Technical Specifications.

#### **Impact on Technical/Topical/Environmental Reports**

There is no impact on any Technical, Topical, or Environmental Report.

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Table 1.8-2 (9 of 29)

Item No.	Description
COL 6.1(1)	The COL applicant is to identify the implementation milestones for the coatings program.
COL 6.2(1)	The COL applicant is to identify the implementation milestone for the CILRT program.
COL 6.3(1)	The COL applicant is to prepare operational procedures and maintenance programs as related to leak detection and contamination control.
COL 6.3(2)	The COL applicant is to maintain complete documentation of system design, construction, design modifications, field changes, and operations.
COL 6.4(1)	The COL applicant is to provide automatic and manual operating procedures for the control room HVAC system, which are required in the event of a postulated toxic gas release.
COL 6.4(2)	The COL applicant is to provide the details of specific toxic chemicals of mobile and stationary sources and evaluate the MCR habitability based on the recommendations in NRC RG 1.78 to meet the requirements of TMI Action Plan Item III.D.3.4 and GDC 19.
COL 6.4(3)	The COL applicant is to identify and develop toxic gas detection requirements to protect the operators and provide reasonable assurance of the MCR habitability. The number, locations, sensitivity, range, type, and design of the toxic gas detectors are to be developed by the COL applicant.
COL 6.5(1)	The COL applicant is to provide the operational procedures and maintenance program as related to leak detection and contamination control.
COL 6.5(2)	The COL applicant is to maintain the complete documentation of system design, construction, design modifications, field changes, and operations.
COL 6.6(1)	The COL applicant is to identify the implementation milestones for ASME Section XI inservice inspection program for ASME Code Section III Class 2 and 3 components.
COL 6.6(2)	The COL applicant is to identify the implementation milestone for the augmented inservice inspection program.
COL 6.8(1)	The COL applicant is to provide the operational procedures and maintenance program for leak detection and contamination control.
COL 6.8(2)	The COL applicant is to provide the preparation of cleanliness, housekeeping, and foreign materials exclusion program.
COL 6.8(3)	The COL applicant is to maintain the complete documentation of system design, construction, design modifications, field changes, and operations.
COL 6.8(4)	The COL applicant is responsible for the establishment and implementation of the Maintenance Rule program in accordance with 10 CFR 50.65.
COL 7.5(1)	The COL applicant is to provide a description of the site-specific AMI variables such as wind speed, and atmosphere stability temperature difference.
COL 7.5(2)	The COL applicant is to provide a description of the site-specific EOF.

**COL 6.8(5)**

The COL applicant is to confirm that the RMI is one of the tested RMIs in NUREG/CR-6808.

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and coating debris, the diameter of the ZOI is defined as 2 and 4 (10 for IOZ) times of diameter of the broken pipe respectively.

For latent debris, 90.72 kg (200 lbs) of latent debris with a 7.5 percent / 92.5 percent (fiber to particulate) spilled is assumed as latent debris loads. To deal with the quantity of miscellaneous debris, a 9.29 m<sup>2</sup> (100 ft<sup>2</sup>) penalty of sacrificial strainer surface area per sump is applied.

Total amount of debris generated during an LBLOCA are provided in Table 6.8-3.

#### 6.8.4.5.3 Debris Characteristics

Three potential sources of debris are evaluated for their impacts on the APR1400 recirculation flow path and LTCC.

All fibrous latent debris within containment is assumed as fines easily remains suspended in water (even relatively quiescent water) and collected in the sumps following the SE for Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) 04-07 (reference 8).

For RMI, it is assumed to consist of 75 percent for small fines and 25 percent for large pieces as the size distribution of any type of RMI inside a pipe break ZOI in accordance with NEI 04-07 guideline (Reference 7). RMI is sufficiently dense and the flow rates are also sufficiently small so that the RMI debris is considered as non-suspended and is not transported to the strainer.

For coatings, all qualified coatings within the ZOI are considered small fine particles based on Section 3.4.3.2 of NEI 04-07 (Reference 7). All coating debris will be suspended and transported in the recirculating water along with the latent debris to the strainers.

For chemical precipitates, detail information is provided in Subsection 6.8.4.5.7.

The size range of the debris materials is based on (i) the assumption that 100 percent of particulates will bypass the ECCS strainers, and (ii) guidance from NEI 04-07 Volume 2 Appendix V (Reference 7). The concentration of the post-LOCA fluid constituents is

In addition, because the size of the RMI debris is greater than the perforated plate hole diameter of the strainer, based on the results of the NRC debris generation test in NUREG/CR-6808 (Reference 16), it is assumed that no RMI passes through the strainers. The COL applicant is to confirm that the RMI is one of the tested RMIs in NUREG/CR-6808 (COL 6.8(5)).

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The COL applicant is responsible for the establishment and implementation of the Maintenance Rule program in accordance with 10 CFR 50.65 (COL 6.8(4)).

- d. A containment coating monitoring program is implemented in accordance with the requirements of NRC RG 1.54, Rev. 2 (Reference 15). The coatings program is described in Subsection 6.1.2.

6.8.5 Testing and Inspection

Inservice inspection and testing of ASME Section III Class 2 and 3 components are conducted in accordance with the programs described in Subsection 3.9.6 and Section 6.6.

6.8.6 Combined License Information

COL 6.8(1) The COL applicant is to provide the operational procedures and maintenance program for leak detection and contamination control.

COL 6.8(2) The COL applicant is to provide the preparation of cleanliness, housekeeping, and foreign materials exclusion program.

COL 6.8(3) The COL applicant is to maintain the complete documentation of system design, construction, design modifications, field changes, and operations.

COL 6.8(4) The COL applicant is responsible for the establishment and implementation of the Maintenance Rule program in accordance with 10 CFR 50.65.

6.8.7 References COL 6.8(5)  
The COL applicant is to confirm that the RMI is one of the tested RMIs in NUREG/CR-6808.

1. 10 CFR 20.1406, "Radiological Criteria for Unrestricted Use," U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
2. Regulatory Guide 4.21, "Minimization of Contamination and Radioactive Waste Generation: Life-Cycle Planning," Rev. 0, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, June 2008.

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15. Regulatory Guide 1.54, "Service Level I, II, and III Protective Coatings Applied to Nuclear Power Plants," Rev. 2, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, December 2010.

16. NUREG/CR-6808, "Knowledge Base for the Effects of Debris on Pressurized Water Reactor Emergency Core Cooling Sump Performance," U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, February 2003.

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### **Question No. 06.02.02-26**

Review procedure #9 of SRP 6.2.2, "Containment Heat Removal Systems," addresses performance evaluations for equipment downstream of the IRWST sump strainer with regard to debris ingestion. To complete this review, additional information is needed. Technical Report APR1400-E-N-NR-14001-P, Section 4.2.3.3.2, "Wear Rate Evaluation for Valves, Orifices and Pipes," describes the wear rate evaluation for valves, orifices, and pipes during operation with post-LOCA fluids and states that the vendor will provide tests and/or analysis to support acceptable wear rates of valves, pipes and orifices. The wear rate evaluation is performed using the post-LOCA fluid constituents listed in Technical Report APR1400-E-N-NR-14001-P, Table 4.2-5, and the flow velocities listed in Technical Report APR1400-E-N-NR-14001-P, Table 4.2-6. However, the technical report does not identify the material properties (e.g., abrasiveness) for the vendor to evaluate the wear rate. The NRC staff requests that the applicant describe in the technical report the material properties used to determine wear rate of the components.

### **Response - (Rev. 1)**

The material properties applied to evaluate the wear rate of the components and its references information will be added as Table 4.2-8 and in Section 4.2.2.4 of the technical report, respectively. The wear rate data in Table 4.2-8 was obtained by using coarse sand as the wearing material, as described in ADS-Pipe Technical Note 2.116, "Abrasion Resistance of Piping Systems." The technical note is referenced by WCAP-16406-P-A. The wear rate data is applied to the equations of the wear rate for carbon steel components, which is addressed in Section F.5.2 of WCAP 16406-P-A. The wear rate calculation is defined in equations F.5-11a and F.5-11b in WCAP-1406-P-A.

In addition, the components in the SIS and CSS use the stainless steels and stainless steels are more resistant to erosion than carbon steels. Therefore, using the carbon steel data for stainless steel is conservative.

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**Impact on DCD**

There is no impact on the DCD.

**Impact on PRA**

There is no impact on the PRA.

**Impact on Technical Specifications**

There is no impact on the Technical Specifications.

**Impact on Technical/Topical/Environmental Reports**

Technical report APR1400-E-N-NR-14001-P/NP, Subsection 4.2.2.4 and Section 6 will be revised, and Table 4.2-8 will be added, as shown in the attachment associated with this response.



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- 1) This evaluation conservatively assumes that 100% of the particulates will bypass the IRWST sump strainers. Therefore, it is reasonable to assert that the size of the particulate debris is less than (or equal to) the perforated plate hole size of the IRWST sump strainers, 2.38 mm (0.094 inch).
- 2) Fines are defined as debris materials that are less than 101.6 mm (4 inch) by 101.6 mm (4 inch), based on NEI 04-07 Volume 1, Subsection 3.6.3 (Reference [3-2]).
- 3) Large pieces are defined as debris materials that are greater than 101.6 mm (4 inch), based on NEI 04-07 Volume 1, Subsection 3.6.3 (Reference [3-2]).

The total amount of debris generated during an LBLOCA is estimated in Appendix B of this report and summarized in Table 4.2-3. The amount of reflective metallic insulation (RMI) listed in Table 4.2-3 is based on a size distribution of 75% of small fines and 25% for large pieces.

The amount of debris that passes through the IRWST sump strainer depends on the size of the strainer hole, ratio of open to closed area of the strainer, the fluid approach velocity to the strainer, and the strainer geometry. This evaluation assumes that LBLOCA debris materials that are less than or equal to the perforated plate hole size 2.38 mm (0.094 inch) of the IRWST sump strainers will bypass the sump strainer. As a result, the ECCS will ingest 100% of the coating particulates.

Miscellaneous debris materials are large pieces with a debris size range that is significantly greater than the perforated plate hole size sump strainer. As a result, the ECCS will not ingest miscellaneous debris materials.

Bypass testing of the latent debris yielded a fiber bypass percentage of less than 25% (see Appendix D). This evaluation uses bounding bypass percentages of 100% for latent particulates (i.e., dust and dirt). The bypass percentage for latent fiber uses a conservative of 100%. The actual bypass percent for latent fiber is evaluated by qualified test results conducted specific to the APR1400 plant conditions. The detail test plan is provided in Reference [4-1] and the test result is provided in Appendix D of this report. Based on the results of bypass testing, the actual bypass percentage for latent fiber is approximately 25%.

Results of the NRC debris generation test documented in NUREG/CR-6808 (Reference [4-2]) show that RMI debris size distribution ranges from 6.35 mm (0.25 inch) to 152.4 mm (6 inch). RMI debris will not bypass the sump screens and enter the ECCS because the size of the RMI debris is greater than the perforated plate hole size sump strainer. As a result, this evaluation assumes no RMI bypasses through the sump strainer.

← Reference information (Reference 3-12) on material properties to evaluate the wear rate of the components is provided in Table 4.2-8.

#### 4.2.2.5 ECCS Flow Rate and Flow Velocity

The APR1400 is a fixed resistance system under valve wide-open conditions. Emergency Operating Procedures do allow for operator action to throttle flow based on main control room (MCR) indication. The range of operation is therefore assumed to be from shutoff head conditions to runout conditions.

To evaluate debris settlement and component wear during an LBLOCA, this evaluation conservatively assumes ECCS and CSS flow rates ranging from shutoff head conditions to runout conditions.

Table 4.2-8 Wear Rates of Material under Abrasive Slurries

Material	Wear Rates [mm/year (inches/year)]	
	Coarse Sand	
	2.13 m/sec (7 ft/sec)	4.58 m/sec (15 ft/sec)
Steel	0.65 (0.0256)	1.81 (0.0713)
Aluminum	1.81 (0.0713)	7.48 (0.2945)
Polyethylene ABS	0.06 (0.0024)	0.46 (0.0181)
Acrylic Geometric	0.36 (0.0142)	2.07 (0.0815)
Average	0.99 (0.0390)	4.10 (0.1614)
	4.6183	


 Added

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- 2-1 Regulatory Guide 1.54 Revision 2, "Service Level I, II, and III Protective Coatings Applied to Nuclear Power Plants," U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, October 2010.
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- 3-6 Regulatory Guide 1.1, Revision 4, "Water Sources for Long-term Recirculation Cooling Following a Loss-of-Coolant Accident," Revision 4, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, March 2012.
- 3-7 APR1400-Z-A-NR-14007-P, "LOCA Mass and Energy Release Methodology for the APR1400," Rev.0, KHNP, December 2014.
- 3-8 EPRI, Advanced Light Water Reactor Utility Requirements Documents Vol. II, ALWR EVOLUTIONARY PLANT, Ch 5 "Engineered Safety System," Rev.7, December 1995.
- 3-9 CRANE, "Flow of Fluids through Valve, Fitting, and Pipe," Technical Paper No. 410, 2009.
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