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Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)
Units 1, 2 and 3
Docket Nos. STN-50-528/529/530

Dear Mr. Denton:

Attached are two copies of the transcript of the System Review conducted on May 8, 1980 for the PVNGS Class IE D.C. Power System. This transcript is submitted for your use and as a record of the System Review.

A discussion of open items is provided in Pages 170 through 176. These open items consist of unanswered questions and requests for information made by Review Board members and the NRC representative, Faust Rosa. We will provide resolution to the NRC for these items in order to close the record of this System Review. We expect this information to be provided by June 30, 1980.

The attendance of Faust Rosa at this review provided valuable insight into NRC concerns with Class IE D.C. Power Systems. We look forward to additional participation by the NRC staff in the PVNGS A.C. Power System Review (scheduled for mid-July, 1980) and the PVNGS Auxiliary Feedwater System Review (scheduled for mid-September, 1980). We are presently working with our NRC Licensing Project Manager to establish firm dates for these System Reviews.

Respectfully submitted,

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Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 4 day of June, 1980.

John M. Allen
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On its own behalf and as agent for
all other joint applicants.

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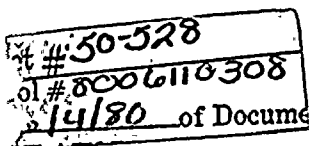
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1 The Power System Review Board of the Palo Verde Nuclear
2 Generating Station convened in the Conference Room in the
3 offices of Snell & Wilmer, Attorneys at Law, 3100 Valley
4 National Center, Phoenix, Arizona, on the 8th day of May,
5 1980, Mr. Edwin E. Van Brunt, Jr., Vice President of Nuclear
6 Projects, Arizona Public Service Company, presiding.

7 MR. VAN BRUNT: My name is Ed Van Brunt. I am
8 Vice President, Nuclear Projects Management for Arizona
9 Public Service Company. I am the officer responsible for
10 all the engineering design, construction, and quality assurance
11 for the Palo Verde Plant.

12 The purpose of this meeting today is to perform a
13 system review of the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station
14 Class IE dc power system. The concept of performing a system
15 review was discussed in recent meetings with NRC Director for
16 Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Dr. Harold Denton. With this
17 concept, the design of a plant system is thoroughly reviewed
18 and presented to a review board by an expert in the technical
19 disciplines encompassed by that system. This review and
20 presentation would assist NRC in understanding the system
21 design and operation, thereby minimizing the review manhours
22 required for that particular system.

23 As a result of the discussions with Dr. Denton,
24 APS as the first step in this process has undertaken a system
25 review of the Class IE dc power system. Bechtel Power

1 Corporation, the architect, engineer, and construction
2 manager for the Palo Verde Plant, was instructed by APS to
3 present the Palo Verde dc power system design to this
4 Review Board. On April 10, 1980, Bechtel met with the
5 Review Board assembled to review that system for the purpose
6 of determining the Board's areas of interest. Using the
7 guidance provided in that meeting, Bill Bingham, the Manager
8 of Palo Verde Project Engineering, has assembled members of
9 his staff to present the Class IE dc power system design to
10 this Review Board.

11 The Review Board for this system consists of members
12 of the APS staff assigned specifically to the Palo Verde
13 Project. John Allen, sitting here on my left, is Nuclear
14 Engineering Manager, reports directly to me. John is
15 responsible in the areas of electrical engineering instrumentation
16 and control, licensing, health physics. He is also responsible
17 for our records management system. Carter Rogers, sitting
18 here on my right, is another Engineering Manager who reports
19 to me. Carter has responsibilities for mechanical systems,
20 chemical systems, civil engineering matters, and nuclear fuel
21 and nuclear-related items. Don Karner over here is Supervising
22 Licensing Engineer. He reports to John Allen and has
23 responsibility for licensing matters and is our day-to-day
24 interface with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in such
25 matters. John Barrow is a Supervising Electrical Engineer who



1 reports to John Allen. He is responsible for electrical
2 systems for the project. Stan Shepard is a Mechanical
3 Engineer for Palo Verde Operations.

4 Also, we have asked Ron Paul, who is an Electrical
5 Engineering Manager with the Generation Engineering Department,
6 who is an industry expert in electrical systems such as this,
7 to sit as an independent member from APS on this panel. Ron
8 is not directly involved in the project, although from time to
9 time we use him as a consultant in various areas.

10 Two Review Board Members from Bechtel, while experts
11 in this area of design, are not associated directly with the
12 Palo Verde Project. These representatives are Karl Kreutziger,
13 Chief Electrical Engineer, and Sheldon Freid, from the Bechtel
14 Nuclear Staff.

15 Here from Combustion Engineering are Mr. Chuck
16 Ferguson, Palo Verde Project Manager, and Mr. Mike Barnoski,
17 Assistant Project Manager.

18 It should also be noted that Mr. Faust Rosa, from the
19 Nuclear Regulatory Commission, is present to audit these pro-
20 ceedings. We welcome you here and invite you to participate
21 as you see fit.

22 We also have a Court Reporter, as I am sure you
23 have all noticed, who is taking a transcript of these
24 proceedings, so we will ask the Review Board Members or
25 anybody else who makes a statement to please identify
26 themselves before they ask any questions or make any statements

1 for the benefit of the Court Reporter.

2 Bill Bingham, I request that the Review Board and
3 the NRC representative be allowed to ask questions at the
4 close of each section of your presentation as outlined in
5 the review documentation which you have distributed to the
6 Review Board and Court Reporter.

7 I guess if there are no other questions from the
8 Board or procedural issues anybody wants to raise, we will
9 get on with this review activity. Anybody have any questions
10 or anything they wish to raise at this point?

11 Okay, Bill, I will turn the meeting over to you.

12 MR. BINGHAM: My name is William Bingham. I am the
13 Project Engineering Manager for Bechtel. In that capacity,
14 I am responsible for all engineering performed by Bechtel.

15 I have brought with me today Dennis Keith, who is
16 Assistant Project Engineer. I brought Gerry Kopchinski,
17 Nuclear Group Supervisor, and Fred Tajaddodi, Electrical
18 Engineering Specialist, for the presentation.

19 As was mentioned today, we are presenting the
20 IE dc power system. We are not talking about the non-IE,
21 which is a completely separate system, but not part of this
22 presentation.

23 This is an ongoing review of the systems that
24 Bechtel conducts, and I thought it would be interesting to
25 have a little background for the benefit of the panel of the

1 flow of design of the systems that we have on Palo Verde. I
2 have this exhibit (Figure 1), which shows the design criteria,
3 being the hub of all the work that we do. This design criteria,
4 which now is in the form of about three volumes, this, and
5 the rest are back there, is a document that is reviewed by
6 APS, approved by APS, and forms the basis for the design.
7 In that particular document will be a description of the
8 system, the criteria for it, which you will hear about later,
9 and from that, as you can see from the exhibit, there is
10 input from the utility for the specific requirements. There
11 are input standards from the NSSS manufacturer, from the
12 designer, and then input to the licensing documents. From
13 that is a feedback to the system to ensure that it meets the
14 criteria. We have from that then development of the plant
15 arrangement, the design criteria, the standards, the procure-
16 ment specs, the system descriptions, and the complete detail
17 design of a particular system.

18 During this process, which takes generally two or
19 three years, there are many meetings that are held between
20 the engineer and the owner or the applicant. Those include
21 review of the P&ID's, the one-lines in this particular case.
22 We have systems review, multi-discipline analysis in the
23 systems, looking at the final design, safety, how it meets
24 the regulatory guides.

25 Today what we are going to do is to tie all of these

1 reviews into a concise presentation for the Board so that we
2 can demonstrate that we have been diligent in the manner in
3 which we have designed this particular system. We also,
4 as Ed mentioned, met informally with the Board and have had
5 some requests to include specific items such as detailed
6 discussion of conformation with the Standard Review Plans, a
7 review of the Safety Evaluations Task Force items that have
8 been prepared by APS, and an expanded discussion of equipment
9 qualifications.

10 The agenda we intend to follow is shown on the sec-
11 ond slide (Figure 2) and we have organized it and would like to
12 make one modification, if the Board will accept it, that we
13 have questions at the end of the first two, at the end of the
14 third section, at the end of the fifth, the seventh, and then
15 thereafter throughout the discussion. Fred Tajaddodi will be
16 making the presentation and I will field the questions and
17 the group from Bechtel will respond as appropriate.

18 Fred, would you start, please?

19 MR. TAJADDODI: The purpose for the Class IE dc system
20 is to provide reliable sources of continuous power which are
21 required and to supply the plant in a safe shutdown condition.
22 The dc system is designed to the criteria that we are going to
23 discuss. First of all, it has got to meet the regulatory re-
24 quirements, which we have shown here (Figure 3). Those regulatory
25 guides are only peripheral in nature. They are not directly

1 applicable to the dc system description per se, but we touch
2 on them briefly. The major ones that are going to be described
3 are the ones which are left open. We will discuss later on the
4 General Design Criteria and related FSAR sections and all the
5 related licensing requirements.

6 The design criteria first of all has got to meet
7 certain codes and standards (Figure 4). Those codes and standards
8 are all the pertinent IEEE standards, IEEE Standard 308, Stan-
9 dards 323, and 344, which are related to qualification of
10 equipment, and Seismic Qualification, IEEE 450 plus IEEE 384,
11 and all the other National Electrical Manufacturers Association
12 standards which are applicable to the design of the equipment.

13 The dc system has got four totally independent
14 systems and each of the systems is capable of distributing
15 power to one of the four channels, which are completely in-
16 dependent.

17 There is physical independence of the redundant
18 Class IE systems in accordance with IEEE 384 and augmented by
19 the requirements of NRC Reg. Guide 1.75. We don't have any
20 non-Class IE loads connected with the Class IE loads to the
21 Class IE system with the exception of the status panel, which
22 is an instrumentation panel in the control room, and we've got
23 the proper design for the system to meet the requirements of
24 1.75 to meet that requirement.

25 Each source has got a battery charger to supply

1 power under normal conditions, and for each redundant channel,
2 we've got a backup charger to supply power to one of the
3 redundant channels at a time should one of the chargers be
4 out for maintenance.

5 The battery supply to the Class IE system is designed
6 to meet the requirements of the load for two hours if the
7 chargers are not available (Figure 5), and the battery chargers
8 provide power to the redundant channels A, B, C, D independently.

9 There are no interconnections among the four Class
10 IE dc buses within each unit. This is a requirement of Reg.
11 Guide 1.75, IEEE 308, and Reg. Guide 1.6.

12 There shall be no interconnections among the
13 125-V dc buses of Units 1, 2, and 3. Each unit has got its
14 independent and redundant buses.

15 The Class IE batteries are sized to meet the
16 requirements of the load for IEEE-485. The sizing of the
17 batteries shall be based upon electrolyte temperature of
18 60F degrees and has the additional capacity to meet the
19 25% capacity for the end-of-life requirements, which is
20 dictated by IEEE-450.

21 The capacity of each Class IE batter charger is
22 also based on the largest combined demand of all the steady
23 state loads plus the charging current required to restore the
24 battery from the design minimum charge state to the fully
25 charged state within 12 hours.



1 The dc system is ungrounded and receptacles and
2 switches shall not be located within the battery rooms.
3 We've got these located outside the rooms for purposes that
4 are required for the plant.

5 All the redundant Class IE batteries are located
6 in separate rooms (Figure 6) completely separate by three-hour
7 fire walls and the Class IE batteries and battery racks and
8 dc panels shall be capable of withstanding a safe absolute
9 shutdown earthquake, which is a requirement of IEEE 344.

10 There is instrumentation both located locally and
11 in the control room. There is going to be a dc bus under-
12 voltage alarm, which we will go into detail later, in the
13 instrumentation; battery current indication; dc voltage
14 indication; and dc ground indication; battery circuit
15 continuity alarm monitor; charger malfunction alarm, includ-
16 ing input ac undervoltage, dc undervoltage, dc overvoltage,
17 and output breaker open; charger output current, also at
18 charger; ac and dc breaker position indicated at the charger
19 and in the control room of the charger. We will go into
20 detail of these later on, but we wanted to indicate them
21 briefly here.

22 The loads on the Class IE batteries are as indi-
23 cated and in the design criteria. The requirements for field
24 flash of the diesel engine, miscellaneous loads associated
25 with load group 1 and channel A, which are the engineered safety



1 features requirements, the aggregate of those loads are fed
2 from the inverters, and we've got reactor trip switchgear
3 plus all the related motor operated valves which are required
4 to function during an accident condition. The list (Figure 7)
5 that you are witnessing here in the design criteria is just a
6 summary of some of the loads that we have on the batteries.
7 Those loads are detailed in our FSAR and are described fully
8 in our discussion later on in our presentation.

9 MR. BINGHAM: That completes the first two items.
10 You heard the design criteria. Are there any questions from
11 anybody at this time?

12 MR. VAN BRUNT: I have a couple myself, but do any of
13 the other Members of the Board have questions?

14 MR. BARNOSKI: Could you describe a little bit in
15 detail what the basis is for the two-hour design basis?

16 MR. TAJADDODI: The two-hour basis has been accepted
17 throughout the industry as being a standard and it has been
18 accepted by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission as being a
19 sufficient time to provide the power to the loads to bring
20 the plant to a safe shutdown condition.

21 MR. ALLEN: I have a question. You mentioned a while
22 ago that the only non-IE load connected to the IE 125-volt
23 system is the safety status panel. How is that isolated?

24 MR. TAJADDODI: We've got a breaker and we've got a
25 Class IE inverter which is going to act as an isolation device

1 and meet the requirements of IEEE Standard 384. The breaker
2 ahead of it is going to meet the requirements of Reg. Guide
3 1.41, so we've got breakers and an inverter, which the
4 inverter is going to be Class IE. It is going to be inside a
5 panel. It is going to meet the requirements of IEEE 323,
6 344, and that is going to constitute an isolation device.

7 MR. ALLEN: That gives you your isolation from ac to
8 dc, but how about dc to dc?

9 MR. TAJADDODI: Dc to dc has got a breaker inside the
10 panel, so that is going to constitute -- also, the energy
11 levels, we are going to do some additional analysis showing
12 that the energy levels of the status panel is such that there
13 won't be any degradation if there is any fault in the status
14 panel because of the low energy requirement.

15 MR. BARNOSKI: This isolation, does it take place in
16 the battery room or at the location?

17 MR. TAJADDODI: No, it will be at the location. We've
18 got the location inside the panel itself.

19 MR. ROGERS: I notice that this handout that you had
20 here has no professional signatures on it. Can you explain
21 why that is?

22 MR. BINGHAM: Yes. There was a recent revision to
23 that Regulation Guide which is in circulation. There were
24 some very minor changes made in Revision No. 6, and each time
25 we issue a full revision, it has got to be signed by the

1 appropriate people. However, for that last revision, that
2 paper work is still in the mill.

3 MR. ROGERS: You mean for the design criteria, not
4 for the Reg. Guide?

5 MR. TAJADDODI: For the design criteria, not for the
6 Reg. Guide.

7 MR. ROGERS: So right now the handout that you have here
8 is a recent revision which is in review at Bechtel now?

9 MR. TAJADDODI: Right.

10 MR. ROGERS: Will that be sent to APS for review?

11 MR. BINGHAM: Carter, if you look at the bottom, you
12 will see the dates, the date of origin, which you can see
13 in the volumes here, and then the dates of revision.

14 To answer your question, that is ready to come over
15 for review and approval by APS.

16 MR. ROGERS: Thank you.

17 MR. ROSA: The isolation device, the inverter, are you
18 going to present an analysis to qualify that as an isolation
19 device, or what?

20 MR. TAJADDODI: The inverters are current limiting
21 and they are built to the requirements of IEEE 323.408 700
22 and 344 and are separated as isolation devices. I understand
23 that NRC has not given its position on that. However,
24 chargers and inverters are considered an isolation device if
25 they are current limiting in nature, and we are taking credit

1 that that is a basis for isolation.

2 MR. FREID: Your criterion E says in terms of inter-
3 connection between channels of the dc power system requires
4 the inability to simultaneously have breakers open on both
5 channels on the swing bus. We are assuring that there is no
6 way of mechanically connecting both sides of those breakers?

7 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes. The standby charger or the swing
8 charger, as it is called, has got two output breakers which
9 can swing to either A or C channels (Figure 8). These breakers
10 are mechanically interlocked. They are interlocked such that
11 no two breakers are going to be closed simultaneously. Only
12 one breaker is going to be closed simultaneously. The two
13 breakers are air breakers and isolated with a barrier between
14 them to meet the requirements of Reg. Guide 1.75 and IEEE 384.
15 In addition to that, there are two additional breakers in
16 series with those breakers that are connected to the charger.
17 As can be seen on this chart in here (indicating) the two
18 breakers in series here are normally open with the chargers
19 on standby condition. If the charger is on supplying power,
20 this charger is completely disconnected with these breakers
21 open. So no fault or no failure in the charger can jeopardize
22 the integrity of these dc buses during normal operation. If
23 the charger is out for service and we connect standby battery
24 charger C to the dc bus, only the appropriate breakers which
25 are aligned to the dc distribution center are going to be

1 closed with the other two open. These two (indicating) are
2 interlocked mechanically. You cannot close these two breakers
3 simultaneously. There is a barrier here (indicating) and they
4 have more than a six-inch separation between the breakers.
5 The switch is such that you maintain complete separation of
6 the wires inside to make sure that you are not violating the
7 requirements of Reg. Guide 1.75 and IEEE 384.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: Fred, for the record, would you please
9 identify the charts that you are using?

10 MR. TAJADDODI: The chart that I am using (Figure 9) is a
11 one-line diagram of the dc system on systems A and C, which is
12 a sample. The same thing is true for channels B and D.

13 MR. VAN BRUNT: Is it in the handout?

14 MR. TAJADDODI: It is in the handout, yes. It is right
15 ahead of another drawing (Figure 8) which shows all four channels.

16 MR. PAUL: I would like to ask a question. Is it
17 necessary to have magnetic trips in the circuit to the dc bus
18 and are they reliable?

19 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, yes. The air circuit breakers
20 are reliable interrupting devices.

21 MR. PAUL: Another question. What is the fault
22 interruptible capability of that breaker?

23 MR. TAJADDODI: This air circuit breaker fault
24 interrupting duty is about 30,000 amperes.

25 MR. PAUL: Can you buy molded case breakers that will

1 stand that?

2 MR. TAJADDODI: The molded case breakers in here
3 (indicating)?

4 MR. PAUL: Yes.

5 MR. TAJADDODI: We thought that an air circuit breaker
6 was more reliable than a molded case breaker to do the job for
7 the IE dc system.

8 MR. PAUL: Had you ever considered connecting another
9 interlock breaker to test the facilities through a fuse
10 disconnect so that you didn't --

11 MR. TAJADDODI: In lieu of this breaker here (indicating)?

12 MR. PAUL: No, interlocked to an additional breaker
13 to the test facilities.

14 MR. TAJADDODI: What test facilities?

15 MR. PAUL: You are going to test the battery every
16 18 months.

17 MR. TAJADDODI: Right. If you are going to test it,
18 you've got to disconnect it from this system.

19 MR. PAUL: This is right, you have to disconnect, but
20 if you put in facilities, you wouldn't have to touch it and
21 then you could hook up your test equipment at possibly a
22 junction box. Wouldn't that be better for maintenance?

23 MR. TAJADDODI: It will be a marginal gain for
24 maintenance, but the design of the system the way it is
25 provides the reliability of the system without encumbering it

1 with additional equipment and components. We tried to make
2 the system as simple, yet as reliable and redundant to meet
3 all the requirements without encumbering it with a lot of
4 other equipment which might degrade the redundancy and the
5 reliability of the system. You can do the testing of the
6 battery with ease without having those additional breakers
7 or test equipment that you are mentioning. It has been done.
8 All the dc systems have been designed to meet that.

9 MR. PAUL: It may be something to consider. I think
10 some of the nuclear plants are using this type of system and
11 it makes it a lot easier to maintain systems.

12 MR. TAJADDODI: As far as the ease of maintenance,
13 it might be true, but we feel that this can meet that
14 requirement just as good.

15 MR. KREUTZIGER: I just have a general question with
16 respect to the design criteria. Where are we showing the
17 interface between this system and the requirements of the
18 other systems? For example, I see that we have sized it --
19 we are looking at the area of a 60-degree temperature with
20 respect to battery capacity. Where is the design criterion
21 that would establish the HVAC requirements on electrical
22 equipment as well as potentially any requirements for
23 ventilation exhaust?

24 MR. BINGHAM: In the Design Criteria Manual, there is a
25 general section that covers all of the basic environmental

1 parameters. Coupled with that is a general section for each
2 of the disciplines, electrical, mechanical, and civil, so
3 forth. That gives more detailed application of the criteria
4 to specific items. Then the design criteria that you looked
5 at in the exhibits is for the system.. Each of the systems has
6 its designator. You happen to be looking at the IE. In the
7 back of that criteria is a reference to the interacting
8 systems or the interfaces.

9 MR. KREUTZIGER: So, the general load temperature of the
10 station is 60 degrees, is that a general criteria throughout
11 the entire station?

12 MR. KOPCHINSKI: We have criteria for temperature
13 ranges in each building and you would find that each of the
14 building ventilation systems give criteria for the ranges it
15 has to keep each building at, so that control building HVAC
16 system has criteria on it which may be further broken down,
17 like the control room has a tighter range than some of the
18 other areas of the buildings.

19 MR. KREUTZIGER: All electrical equipment then has
20 what high temperature range, 40 degrees C?

21 MR. TAJADDODI: The higher limit of the temperature
22 for that particular area is 40 degrees C. Most of the higher
23 limit temperatures of electrical equipment are at 40 degrees C
24 with the exception of some equipment which are 50 degrees C
25 outside the containment, but most of them are 40 degrees.

1 MR. KREUTZIGER: Then your control building system
2 description or design criteria for the control building HVAC
3 system would specify a range so that, for example, the low
4 temperature in the capacity would be assured that we would
5 have a battery room temperature no lower than 60 degrees?

6 MR. BINGHAM: That's correct.

7 MR. KREUTZIGER: Or no higher in the room than in the
8 areas of the heat sources such as the inverters, chargers,
9 no higher than one hundred and what, 104 degrees?

10 MR. TAJADDODI: 104 degrees. The reason why we chose
11 the lower limit on the temperature was that was the limiting
12 temperature for the size of battery. As the temperature goes
13 up, the size of the battery is enhanced, so that was for the
14 worst condition to meet the conditions of the batteries.

15 MR. KARNER: On Page PK-2 of your Detailed Design Criteria
16 [Figure 5], Item H discusses the capacity of the battery. Could
17 you discuss the criteria that you used to determine the
18 battery loading for determining that two-hour capability?

19 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes. The battery loading is done by
20 two standards. One is the IEEE-485 criteria for sizing the
21 batteries. The other one is IEEE 450 for the maintenance and
22 the life. The 25% margin requirement for the batteries is a
23 requirement of IEEE 450 to meet the end of life of 80% life
24 at the end of its qualified life. On top of that, we had
25 another 15% margin on top of the loads in the beginning of our

1 design to assure ourselves of any contingencies that may
2 occur later on. So have 25% plus 15% margin when we start
3 the design of the battery system, sizing of the battery. The
4 battery itself is sized, as we said, for IEEE 485. It tells
5 you how to take into consideration the continuous loads, the
6 redundant loads, the random loads, and how to treat each of
7 these per se to make sure that the battery is sufficient and
8 capable to meet its load requirements.

9 MR. VAN BRUNT: I have some questions. I'll wait until
10 everybody else is finished.

11 I would like to go back to the design criteria and
12 go back to some basics for a minute.

13 First off, when were the design criteria established
14 in the whole design process?

15 MR. BINGHAM: Well, for this particular system, the
16 date of origin was 10/28/74. This was probably not one of
17 the earliest systems. I believe we had systems that affected
18 the NSSS and some of the mechanical side a little bit earlier
19 than that.

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: What process did you go through -- you
21 described the design criteria and the role it plays in the
22 design of the plants, that sort of thing, but what process
23 did you go through to establish these criteria? Where did
24 the criteria come from? What was their basis? What was the
25 review process that they went through and what sort of a

1 procedure do you have for updating these criteria to assure
2 that they reflect the latest regulatory requirements, the
3 latest industry occurrences, for example, the recent Crystal
4 River dc power systems? I don't really want to get into the
5 problems, but I want to understand the control process you
6 go through for the design criteria, since it is the underlying
7 basis for the design of this system.

8 MR. BINGHAM: Fine. Let me take the first question,
9 which was how do we get started, and with the work that
10 Bechtel has been doing with many, many power plants, we don't
11 have to start with a blank page. We have information through
12 our standards, through criteria on other plants that are
13 similar that we start from for a particular project. The
14 project team that is set up, as it has been, for Palo Verde
15 will assemble that information into a preliminary design
16 criteria for a particular system at the beginning of the job.
17 At that time, we will have extensive reviews with the owner's
18 engineers and through our data gathering from our other
19 divisions to come up with a draft that reflects what we believe
20 to be the current requirements for the particular system.
21 From the reviews that we have with the utility, we will put
22 in specific requirements for a particular system. For example,
23 there may be some requirements that tie into off-site power
24 availability or to a particular arrangement or number of units
25 on a site. That particular criterion is reviewed in our house

1 by our chief to get the inputs from other jobs that are going
2 on simultaneously and is in many cases reviewed in detail
3 by the project engineer on the job through meetings that he
4 might have.

5 MR. VAN BRUNT: Is this a formalized process with
6 sign offs and all that kind of thing?

7 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, it is. We have procedures that
8 require that all responsible parties review the particular
9 document and, in particular, the final sign off has the
10 chief engineer of the discipline and the project engineer,
11 the project engineering manager in this particular case on
12 this job. The internal procedures require a documented
13 review, which is in our files. After the sign off, there is a
14 letter that comes to you with the document requiring review
15 and approval from the utility. Once that is done, the criteria
16 then are approved for us on the project.

17 You also asked, Ed, I believe, how do we keep this
18 as a dynamic or updated document for new things that may be
19 happening that do affect the system. There are several ways
20 that that is done. As you can see, this particular one has
21 been revised five times and is in the process of being revised
22 once more. We have a formal procedure called a Design Criteria
23 Change Request that is required of all disciplines to issue
24 for my review and determination whether it is an acceptable
25 change to the criteria. Once that is accepted, then the



1 original document is marked up with the change, circulated,
2 as it was before, to the reviewers. Once approved, perhaps
3 with comments which are resolved, it then is issued and
4 follows through the same course. Now, there are other
5 influences other than just internal that might affect this,
6 such as IE bulletins that come to us, either to us directly
7 or through letters that the utility sends to us. The systems
8 are reviewed and the disciplines are required to note whether
9 there is a change to the design criteria that is required.

10 There is one other form and that is our SAR
11 change notices, which have a block on them to indicate whether
12 there is a requirement to change the design criteria. So we
13 have that feedback to the base document, which is the design
14 criteria, from all the various sources.

15 MR. VAN BRUNT: Well, you partly answered my next
16 question. I was going to ask you how are you sure that the
17 design criteria, which, as I understand it, are the basis
18 for the engineers and the designers to proceed, coordinate
19 specifically with the commitments of the applicant in their
20 preliminary safety analysis reports or FSAR or whatever other
21 regulatory codes or other documents are involved?

22 MR. BINGHAM: Well, I did hit on part of it. The
23 other part, on the two documents, the request for change,
24 there is a block to say is an FSAR change required, and on the
25 FSAR change form, there is a block required for a design



1 criteria change. So we have two ways to assure that we get
2 the proper changes, and once it is noted, it is flagged, it
3 is logged in, and then there is a follow-up system to assure
4 that that is incorporated in a timely manner.

5 MR. VAN BRUNT: Were any of the design criteria for
6 this particular system the result of criteria established
7 from Combustion Engineering Standards Safety Analysis Report,
8 CESSAR? If so, what kind of a mechanism do you have to assure
9 yourself that you have properly and correctly interpreted
10 those criteria so that the designers then can proceed with
11 that?

12 MR. BINGHAM: Ed, there weren't any for this particular
13 system from CESSAR. However, generally, the interface
14 criteria that is in CESSAR is responded in the licensing
15 document that the design criteria again is checked to make
16 sure that it does include those interfaces, does address
17 them.

18 MR. VAN BRUNT: Aren't there some dc loads that come
19 out of CESSAR that form a basis for this battery design?

20 MR. BINGHAM: That's correct.

21 MR. VAN BRUNT: How are those handled, then?

22 MR. TAJADDODI: Those are the loads.

23 MR. VAN BRUNT: But those are still design critiera.

24 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes. Those are tabulated in the
25 complete tables that CE requires, and we put them in there as

1 a requirement of the loads that CE dictates to us.

2 MR. VAN BRUNT: But does CE then review these design
3 criteria to assure that you have properly interpreted their
4 load requirements as to length of loads or time or whatever
5 the criteria might be?

6 MR. BINGHAM: The answer to that is yes, they review
7 all our design criteria plus they review our key documents.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: Is that a documented review?

9 MR. BINGHAM: It is a documented review signed off by
10 their project manager.

11 MR. VAN BRUNT: How are changes to those criteria
12 handled?

13 MR. BINGHAM: All of the changes are submitted to the
14 affected entities for review and changes. We have an
15 automatic system. If it is a drawing, we have a documentation
16 of every drawing and what reviewer is to see it. Actually, it
17 is part of our logs. When that drawing comes out and is
18 issued again as a revision or if there is a design change
19 noticed, it goes with it. That goes automatically to the
20 particular organization, Combustion Engineering in this case.
21 Their people review it and send back a formal response with
22 either comments or acceptance if it is indicated.

23 MR. VAN BRUNT: And all of these procedures are
24 subject to that?

25 MR. BINGHAM: That is correct.

1 MR. VAN BRUNT: I don't have any more questions.
2 Does anybody on the Board have any more questions?

3 MR. ALLEN: I've got a couple here. We neglected to
4 say anything about associated circuits. Does someone want
5 to comment on that? Do we have them? If so, how do we
6 handle them?

7 MR. TAJADDODI: The only place that we have associated
8 circuits in the dc system again is related to the safe
9 shutdown panel. Those circuits are appropriately identified
10 as such and they are treated to meet the requirements of
11 1.75. They are identified separately, distinctly, and they
12 are routed and separated in accordance with the requirements
13 of IEEE 384 and Reg. Guide 1.75. That is just one standard
14 of the safe shutdown panel. No other circuits that we know
15 of are associated. They are all Class IE and we don't have
16 any non-class IE loads that share those systems.

17 MR. KEITH: The safety equipment status panel I think
18 is the proper name. Safety shutdown panel is not.

19 MR. TAJADDODI: Fine.

20 MR. ALLEN: Just one clarification. We are talking
21 just about unit for unit dc system. Would you clarify if we
22 have any connections at all between the dc systems between
23 units?

24 MR. TAJADDODI: As we mentioned in the beginning, the
25 dc units, each unit is independent and it is not interconnected



1 with the other units. We meet the requirements of the
2 appropriate Reg. Guides, as we will go into and see how we
3 are meeting them, but they are all separate. They are not
4 interconnected. Each unit has got its own dc system
5 completely divorced from the other units.

6 MR. VAN BRUNT: And the two systems within the unit are
7 completely independent as well?

8 MR. TAJADDODI: As well, right.

9 MR. ROSA: If NRC wanted to audit a detailed calculation,
10 do you have a package of calculations associated with
11 battery sizing that would be available for audit?

12 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, it is available. As maybe some of
13 you don't know, NRC is looking at calculations and various
14 systems that we have.

15 MR. VAN BRUNT: What part of NRC?

16 MR. BINGHAM: This would be the Compliance Division,
17 Region Four.

18 MR. VAN BRUNT: Region Four, not Region Five?

19 MR. BINGHAM: Not Region Five. In fact, they were
20 just in last week looking at the calculations on the pipe whip
21 restraints. About a month and one-half or two months ago,
22 they were in and looked at the calculations on one of the
23 mechanical systems. I think the aux feed water system.

24 MR. ROGERS: A few minutes ago, I raised a question
25 pertaining to Revision 6 of the design criteria and some of

1 the discussion has brought up some further thoughts along
2 that line. Let's suppose that we have a Revision 5 that is
3 in effect. Revision 6 is proposed, and that proposal, while
4 it is in review or is getting signed off could make some
5 changes in the systems themselves, physical hardware, how
6 would Bechtel go about putting those changes in the hardware
7 into effect? How would they get that accomplished?

8 MR. BINGHAM: Well, we wouldn't make the changes until
9 the criteria are approved, but if there was some particular
10 reason because of maybe long lead delivery of some item like
11 that, we would review that with you and would set in motion
12 contact with the particular manufacturers of the equipment to
13 make the proper modifications. I am talking about things
14 that really have to be fixed in order to have an acceptable
15 design.

16 Any other questions, Ed? Shall we move on?

17 MR. VAN BRUNT: Anybody on the panel have any other
18 questions?

19 MR. BINGHAM: Let's move on then to Number 3, FSAR
20 Compliance. [Figure 11]

21 MR. TAJADDODI: Our FSAR has got to meet the require-
22 ments of IEEE standards, the GDC, Section 10 CFR 50, and
23 additional Reg. Guides that pertain to the dc system. For the
24 dc system, the following Reg. Guides are applicable: Reg.
25 Guide 1.6, 1.29, 1.32, 1.41, 1.75, 1.81, and 1.93.

1 In addition, it has got to meet the General Design
2 Criteria 17 and 18 and meet the requirements of item IEEE
3 308-1974, 323-1974, 344-1975, 450-1975, and 384-1974.

4 We will also discuss the Standard Review Plan
5 Acceptance Criteria and how it meets it and any pertinent
6 questions that might be related to those.

7 GDC 17 (Figure 12) pertains to electric power systems
8 and requires that Class IE dc subsystems, including batteries,
9 chargers, dc switchgear and distribution equipment, be
10 physically separate and independent. In our drawings, we
11 indicate how we are meeting this (Figure 10). As we can see, the
12 battery rooms are completely separate and independent separated
13 by fire walls. They've got the separation independence
14 and the circuits connected to these two also are routed completely independent. The related equipment that is connected to
15 each of these batteries is also separated. The D distribution
16 panels, inverters, and battery chargers are across the room
17 from where the batteries are, and similarly for C, A, and B.
18 We have tried to maintain at A and C channels, which are
19 related to train A, separate, and B and D close in that
20 respect so that we can have the separation and isolation of
21 circuits more reliable.

22
23 Another requirement of GDC 17 is sufficient capacity,
24 capability, independence redundancy and testability for
25 Class IE dc systems to ensure that the safety functions meet



1 the requirements of single failure criteria. If we look at
2 our one-line diagram --

3 MR. VAN BRUNT: Fred, if you would, as you put up
4 different slides, if you would identify them somehow for the
5 Reporter so that somebody that reads this transcript separately
6 will know which document you are referring to.

7 MR. TAJADDODI: That's fine. This is a single-line
8 diagram of the dc system (Figure 8). The previous drawing was
9 a physical arrangement of the battery system equipment (Figure
10 10). Looking at the one-line diagram, we see that the dc
11 system is designed such that no single failure that can happen
12 in any one of the systems can affect the redundancy and the
13 reliability to make the system function properly. If there
14 is a fault in the dc system on channel A, only channel A will
15 be affected. Channels C and D and B are completely separate
16 and isolated. Likewise, if at the time the charger was con-
17 nected to charger A and battery charger A was for maintenance,
18 only this portion (indicating) is going to be affected. Now,
19 there is a possibility that it might happen that there is a
20 failure into this charger, but whatever failure we might have
21 in here is going to affect only that portion of the charger
22 which is connected to A. The C channel is completely isolated
23 because of the breaker being in an open position. So we have
24 designed the system to meet a single failure criteria as far as
25 failures are concerned, to isolate them and make sure that no two

1 channels are affected due to a single failure.

2 MR. VAN BRUNT: Is this a point where you want to let
3 us ask some questions, Bill?

4 MR. BINGHAM: No, not yet.

5 MR. VAN BRUNT: You will let me know?

6 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, I will.

7 MR. TAJADDODI: The other General Design Criteria of
8 10 CFR 50 (Figure 13) is the inspection and testing of electrical
9 power systems and requires inspection and testing during
10 equipment shutdown of wiring, insulation and connections to
11 assess the continuity of the subsystem and condition of its
12 components. The system is designed such that we've got
13 isolation devices that we can isolate the system and test
14 each one of them individually. We can test the equipment as
15 far as their wiring to make sure that the insulation is in a
16 good condition, there is no degradation of insulation, and
17 maintain the parameters of the equipment within the design
18 requirements. All the equipments have got isolation devices,
19 breakers, to make sure that we can isolate them without
20 jeopardizing the rest of the system.

21 Periodic testing during normal plant operation of
22 the operability and functional performance of the subsystem
23 by isolating the subsystem is also provided. You can test
24 equipment periodically by isolating them by the appropriate
25 means and test them for the requirements that are set forth in

1 the standards and requirements.

2 Now we will go into details of the design require-
3 ments of IEEE 308 (Figure 14), which is the basic standard to
4 meet the requirements, and all the rest of the Reg. Guides
5 we will be documenting, so we decided to go into details of
6 this system from the very beginning. One of the requirements
7 of the IEEE 308 standards is to have redundant loads. They
8 should be separated into two or more redundant load groups.
9 We are meeting that requirement by providing four independent
10 load groups to the loads that are required to shut down the
11 plant, so it meets the redundancy requirements of IEEE 308.

12 Another requirement of IEEE 308 is to provide
13 safety actions. The safety actions shall be redundant and
14 independent of safety actions by its redundant counterparts.
15 Our design is such that safety actions of each of the four
16 redundant load groups are independent. No two groups are
17 interconnected to jeopardize that requirement.

18 The power supplies requirement of IEEE 308 requires
19 that each of the redundant load groups shall have access to a
20 power supply that consists of a battery and one or more battery
21 chargers. We are providing a battery and a battery charger
22 plus a spare or standby battery charger as it is required,
23 and the battery charger serves only one channel of an
24 independent load group at a time.

25 The common power supply requirements of IEEE 308



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1 states that two more load groups may have a common power
2 supply if the consequences of the loss of the common power
3 supply to the load groups under design basis conditions are
4 acceptable. The only place that this is designed into the
5 system is that the two chargers, A and C chargers, are
6 connected to A train Class IE system, so we are not violating
7 any law for that even though they've got a common ac source,
8 4160 bus source, so they meet the requirements of common
9 power supply that two channels of each of the load groups
10 are connected to that train and those are the redundant
11 channels for that load group.

12 Common failure mode requirements. The battery
13 should not have a common failure mode for any design basis
14 event. Both the design and the location of the batteries is
15 such that they've got to meet the requirements of IEEE 344 and
16 323 for qualification to make sure that a nonseismic event
17 is oing to keep the system viable and the connections of the
18 systems are such that it precludes the possibility of a single
19 failure affecting more than one channel at a time.

20 Distribution system requirements (Figure 15), each
21 system shall be capable of transmitting sufficient energy to
22 start and operate all required loads in that circuit. The
23 design of the distribution system is capable of doing that
24 for safety action.

25 Independence requirements are provided for the



1 distribution circuits to redundant equipment by physically
2 and electrically isolating each other for compliance with
3 IEEE 384 and Reg. Guide 1.75. As we witnessed in the physical
4 arrangement drawings, those equipments are arranged and
5 separated.

6 The auxiliary devices to operate independent equip-
7 ment shall be supplied from a related bus section. All
8 auxiliary devices such as breakers, relays, and so forth,
9 which are connected to the dc system are independent for each
10 channel. No device shares any two systems at a time, so they
11 are completely independent.

12 The feeders between the Class IE power systems
13 located in Safety Class Structure and systems located in
14 non-Safety Class Structures shall be provided with automatic
15 circuit interrupting devices. All feeder devices are provided
16 with circuit breakers to interrupt a fault to make sure that
17 they are isolated and they meet the requirements of IEEE 308.

18 The battery supply requirement is that each battery
19 supply shall consist of the storage cells, connectors and its
20 connections to the distribution system supply circuit breaker.
21 That is where the circuit breaker comes in, and we have designed
22 it such that the battery is connected to the dc distribution
23 system through a circuit breaker.

24 The capability requirements of 308 are such that
25 batteries are sized for IEEE 485 to start and operate the

1 required loads for two-hour duration.

2 The availability, [Figure 16] each battery supply shall be
3 immediately available during normal operations and following
4 the loss of power from the ac system. The batteries are
5 always connected to the breakers and the breakers are always
6 in the closed position so that if the charger loses its
7 function, the batteries immediately take over and supply the
8 power to the distribution system.

9 The independence requirements are that each battery
10 supply shall be independent of other battery supplies. As
11 we have noticed in our single-line diagram drawing, all those
12 batteries are completely redundant, independent.

13 The stored energy requirement for the batteries is
14 that they should be maintained in their fully charged
15 condition. Stored energy shall be sufficient to operate all
16 necessary circuit breakers and provide an adequate source of
17 power for all required connected loads during loss of ac
18 power to battery chargers. Now, the batteries, as we mentioned
19 earlier, will be maintained and tested on a periodic basis to
20 assure the availability of stored energy in accordance with
21 IEEE 450-1975.

22 Battery charger requirements again require that
23 each battery charger supply shall include all equipment from
24 its connection to the ac system to its distribution system
25 supply circuit breaker. That is why the single-line diagram

1 indicates that all equipment from the ac supply source to the
2 connecting breaker are provided to the distribution system.
3 The function of the charger is to supply electric energy for
4 the steady state operation of the connected loads during
5 normal and possible accident operation while its battery is
6 returned to its fully charged position simultaneously.

7 We mentioned that the batteries are going to be sized
8 such that they are going to carry the normal load and post-
9 accident loads plus they can restore the batteries when they
10 are completely discharged to their minimum voltage level. The
11 capability requirements for each battery charger (Figure 17) are
12 that the battery charger should be sized and be capable to
13 supply the necessary steady state loads and provide charging to
14 the batteries from their design minimum to fully charged state.

15 Each battery charger is independent. In addition,
16 a standby charger is provided for each load group. That is a
17 requirement for independence.

18 The surveillance requirements indicate that you've
19 got to have a capability to monitor the output voltage and
20 output current and a circuit breaker position for the dc
21 system. We have met those requirements and we will go into
22 them in detail later on.

23 Disconnecting means, we've got disconnecting means
24 for the battery chargers' power supply from the incoming
25 480-volt ac to make sure you can isolate the charger and the



1 output breaker is also a means for isolating the charger for
2 the requirements of IEEE 308.

3 The following requirement for the IEEE 308 is that
4 the charger should be designed so that there is no feedback
5 from the dc to the ac. The chargers are provided with
6 blocking diodes to assure that there is no feedback from
7 the dc system to the charger if there is a malfunctioning of
8 the ac supply.

9 Now we come to the requirements that are dictated
10 by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The first Reg. Guide
11 that is applicable to the dc system is Reg. Guide 1.6, and
12 we have indicated those requirements in your handouts (Figure
13 18). First, they should have separate redundant load groups,
14 which we have indicated again they are.

15 They should be energized by a battery and a battery
16 charger, which they are.

17 There should be no automatic connection to any
18 redundant dc load group. We have seen that the only connec-
19 tion that we have between A and C is through a selector
20 switch. That is a manual selector switch. There is no auto-
21 matic connection in the A or C or B or D systems. All those
22 connections are manual. We don't have any automatic connec-
23 tions.

24 Standby source of one load group should not be
25 automatically paralleled with the standby source of another

1 load group under accident conditions. We don't have that
2 capability. We do not provide the capability to make
3 automatic paralleling with a standby source.

4 No automatic transfer of loads between redundant
5 power sources. There is no automatic transfer of loads
6 between the redundant dc systems.

7 If means exist for manual connection of loads, at
8 least one interlock should be provided to prevent parallel
9 operation, and we've got that in our standby battery charger
10 to provide that requirement to preclude to possibility of
11 connection to one more load.

12 The other Reg. Guide which is applicable to the
13 dc system is the seismic requirement. It states that the
14 Class IE system should be designed as Seismic Category I and
15 should withstand the effects of Safe Shutdown Earthquake and
16 remain functional. All the Class IE systems and equipment that
17 we are purchasing are required to meet the IEEE 344-1975
18 requirements and to meet the requirements of Safe Shutdown
19 Earthquake during an accident.

20 The next Reg. Guide which is pertinent to the dc
21 system is Reg. Guide 1.32. It states that a battery charger
22 supply capacity should be based on the largest combined levels
23 of the various steady state loads and charging capacity to
24 restore the battery from the design minimum charge state to
25 fully charged stated irrespective of the status of the plant.

1 We have mentioned before that the battery charger is sized
2 to do just that. The minimum voltage requirement is 105 and
3 the fully charged stated is 130 volts.

4 The last requirement of Reg. Guide 1.32 [Figure 19] is that
5 a discharge test should be made per IEEE 450-1975. We are
6 complying with that. We will be complying with that require-
7 ment for test for IEEE 450-1975.

8 The next Reg. Guide applicable to the dc system is
9 Reg. Guide 1.41, and it states that the onsite system should
10 be functionally tested successively with all dc and ac sources
11 disconnected completely for one load group. Now, we've got
12 the means to do that. We've got all the breakers to disconnect
13 and test each of the components in the system by isolating
14 them, opening the breakers, and provide that requirement.

15 The next requirement is during each test, the dc
16 buses and related loads not under test should be monitored
17 to verify absence of voltage. We've got instruments on the
18 buses and in the control room to monitor the status of the
19 voltage and current status of all the equipment and the
20 operators will be in a position to know whether there is
21 voltage or there is no voltage on the system.

22 The last requirement here, the first requirement of
23 1.75, which are pertinent, and we have stated only those
24 areas which are of great importance, is that isolation
25 devices actuated only by fault current are not considered to

1 isolation devices. We meet that requirement. Isolation
2 devices are actuated by an SIAS signal in addition to fault
3 current for power circuits. The dc systems are pretty much --
4 most of the loads are from the inverter and those are
5 dictated by that requirement.

6 Interlocked armored cable should not be construed to
7 be a raceway. We meet that requirement.

8 Locating redundant circuits and equipment in
9 separate safety class structures, which we have noted in our
10 general arrangement drawing that we are meeting that
11 requirement.

12 Associated circuits installed should be subject to
13 all requirements placed on Class IE circuits, and we have stated
14 that associated circuits are treated as Class IE up to
15 isolation devices. After the isolation device, they are
16 treated as non-Class IE systems.

17 The next Reg. Guide applicable to dc systems is
18 Reg. Guide 1.81. It states that dc systems in a multiunit
19 plant should not be shared, and we have stated that there are
20 no shared systems between the units.

21 A single failure should not preclude the capability
22 to automatically supply minimum ESF loads, and we have seen
23 that having four redundant channels and having a single
24 failure, we still meet the requirements of for more than
25 two out of four, which is required to meet the requirements

1 and thus preclude the degrading of the system.

2 The onsite power capacity (Figure 20) should be pro-
3 vided to energize sufficient Seismic Category I equipment. As
4 we have seen, we have supplied four redundant systems, so the
5 capacity of the dc dystem is sufficient to energize the neces-
6 sary dc loads even if we are faced with one failure in one system.

7 The interaction between each unit's ESF electric
8 circuits should be limited. There actually is no interaction,
9 because our systems are completely isolated and redundant.
10 There is no interaction existing between units.

11 The final Reg. Guide applicable is Reg. Guide 1.93,
12 which is the Limiting Conditions of Operation. It states
13 that if only one dc source is not available, power operation
14 may continue for two hours. We have the capability with a
15 standby charger to enhance that requirement. As a matter of
16 fact, we feel that with the standby charger, we can have the
17 continuity of operation even if one charger is not available,
18 and the dc battery is sized for two hours to do the job.

19 We have compiled the requirements of the Standard
20 Review Plan to see how we are meeting again the intent that
21 NRC looking for. We have tabulated the acceptance
22 requirements for the Standard Review Plan and we have re-
23 sponded as to how we are meeting them and where in their FSAR
24 we are going to discuss these things. (Figure 21)

25 In the first requirement, system redundancy

1 requirements, it says that the acceptability of the onsite
2 dc system with regard to redundancy is based on conformance
3 to the same degree of redundancy required of safety-related
4 components and system by GDC 22, 33, 34, 35, 38, 41, and 44.
5 Those are systems which are required for the safety of the
6 plant, and we have the redundancy as dictated by those.
7 We are providing four redundant power supplies to meet that
8 redundancy.

9 Conformance with single failure criterion. They
10 should meet the requirement of GDC 17, IEEE 308 augmented by
11 Reg. Guide 1.6 and Reg. Guide 1.81 implementing the require-
12 ment of GDC 5 "Sharing of Systems, Structures and Components,"
13 and Reg. Guide 1.75. These requirements, as we have mentioned
14 before, are compiled in these parts of the FSAR: GDC 17,
15 Paragraph 8.3.2.2.11.

16 MR. BINGHAM: Let's not read all those things.

17 MR. TAJADDODI: In the power supplies acceptance
18 criterion, it says that a basis of selection of battery and
19 battery charger should be based on IEEE 308, which we have
20 seen and gone over in some detail.

21 Sharing of dc power systems between generating
22 units will not be permitted. As we have said, we are meeting
23 the requirements of Reg. Guide 1.81.

24 Non-safety related loads connected to safety power
25 supplies should conform to Regulatory Guide 1.75, and we have

1 said that the only non-safety load connected to safety-
2 related dc power system is the safety equipment status panel.

3 The thermal overload protection of safety-related
4 valves (Figure 22) should meet Branch Technical Position EICSB
5 27, which we are meeting by bypassing the thermal overload
6 protection on SIAS per the requirement of Reg. Guide 1.106.

7 Identification of cables and cable trays. The
8 Standard Review Plan requires that the cables and raceways
9 be identified, and we have said all power cables are color-
10 coded to identify the channels they are associated with.
11 Their respective raceways are identified by tags at specified
12 intervals per IEEE 384 and Reg. Guide 1.75.

13 The vital supporting systems, the requirement for
14 acceptance criteria states that the instrumentation, controls
15 and electrical equipment for those supporting systems identi-
16 fied as vital to the proper functioning of the safety-related
17 systems and acceptable if the design conforms to the same
18 criteria as the safety-related systems supported. All the
19 instrumentation, controls and equipment meet the redundancy
20 requirement. They are completely isolated, and they are
21 required to meet the safety requirements as imposed by the
22 appropriate Reg. Guides and standards.

23 The systems testing and surveillance requirement
24 says that they should be preoperational and an initial start-
25 up test per Reg. Guide 1.68 and 1.41.

1 Periodic testing per IEEE 450 and Reg. Guide 1.22.

2 Surveillance of the dc power supply should be in
3 accordance with Reg. Guide 1.47 and Branch Technical Position
4 EICSB 21. These two Reg. Guides actually relating to the
5 dc system were covered fully in the control systems section
6 of Section 7 of the FSAR.

7 The protection system is provided with means to
8 perform testing of protection system actuation functions per
9 requirements of Reg. Guide 1.68, 1.41, 1.22, 1.47 and Branch
10 Technical Position EICSB 21. We will not go into details of
11 these requirements because they are related to FSAR Section 7.

12 Seismic design requirements states that the electrical
13 and mechanical equipment (Figure 23) should meet the require-
14 ments of IEEE 344 and Branch Technical Position 10. We see
15 that systems and components are designed and procured to meet
16 IEEE 344-1975 and Reg. Guide 1.100, which is a substitute
17 for EICSB 10.

18 Finally, the quality assurance requirement of the
19 Standard Review Plan are met. We do purchase and procure
20 all the equipment and the design is monitored for the
21 requirement of IEEE 336 and Reg. Guide 1.30. Bechtel has got
22 a thorough program to meet that requirement.

23 MR. BINGHAM: That was a lot of information, but I
24 thought, since there was so much comparing of the SRP's and
25 the Reg. Guides, and so forth, that I wanted to get you through

1 it, and now we will entertain questions.

2 MR. VAN BRUNT: I think for the Reporter's benefit
3 and everybody else, why don't we take a ten-minute break until
4 10:00 and then we will come back with the questions.
5 Otherwise we are likely to drag on, so why don't we break
6 for ten minutes.

7 MR. BINGHAM: All right, let's do it.

8 (Thereupon a brief recess was taken, after which
9 proceedings were resumed as follows:)

10 MR. VAN BRUNT: John Allen.

11 MR. ALLEN: I have a question. Back to common mode
12 failures, most of this equipment is located down in the bottom
13 of the control building and I wonder exactly how you would go
14 about ensuring that there won't be a common mode failure
15 caused by steam line breaks, water pipe breaks, that could go
16 in and flood out all the room or something like that.

17 MR. BINGHAM: The equipment is not in the basement, it
18 is up at grade. The steam lines are not anywhere in the
19 vicinity of these particular buildings. They are over in a
20 separate structure called the main steam support structure,
21 and the elevation has been set so any outside environments
22 such as flooding, and so forth, would not enter these
23 particular areas.

24 MR. ALLEN: Are these sealed doors, Bill?

25 MR. BINGHAM: They are doors, but I don't believe they

1 seal to other than just the environment, the normal environ-
2 ment.

3 MR. VAN BRUNT: I would like to follow that up with
4 another question on the dc battery system. You have gone
5 through all the separation from an electrical viewpoint
6 through this whole system and out through the tray and all
7 the rest of that kind of thing, but dc systems basically
8 provide power to various aspects of mechanical systems. What
9 kind of separation do you provide to assure that a mechanical
10 occurrence, let's say a pipe break or something like that in a
11 train B system, which is being supplied by dc power off of the
12 train B dc power system doesn't affect the train A dc power
13 system? In other words, a cross interaction of that?

14 MR. BINGHAM: Let me go back to John's question. In
15 the separation reviews that we conduct, we do look at all the
16 hazards, so that has been done and it is documented, Ed.

17 On the design of the plant, once we get outside the
18 containment, which this is, we really go to compartmentaliza-
19 tion and separation, separate the electrical from the piping
20 systems, and we use compartmentalization to separate the
21 trains so that if there was a mechanical failure of some kind
22 in one train, it would have to penetrate several feet of
23 concrete in order to enter the other trains and components.

24 MR. VAN BRUNT: If I understand that correct, you do
25 not intermix either mechanically or electrically any components

1 that are associated with the same train, is that correct?

2 MR. BINGHAM: That is our basic criterion, outside
3 containment, yes.

4 MR. ALLEN: Bill, carrying that on a little further,
5 maybe I didn't state my question correctly, I know a concern
6 that has been identified by the NRC to another utility of a
7 steam line break not in the same room or something, but very
8 near where it would actually overload the environmental
9 condition and the HVAC system to the point where the tempera-
10 ture rise would come up and exceed the qualified temperature,
11 you might say, of those rooms that you might have your
12 inverters in and your chargers and everything like that. How
13 do we preclude that type of thing? How do we go about
14 reviewing that to ensure that won't happen to us?

15 MR. KEITH: I think, John, once again, as part of our
16 separation reviews that we look at all credible hazards. The
17 goal is to look at all hazards and list each room, each area,
18 so that the equipment will perform its safety function.

19 MR. VAN BRUNT: How is that separation review done?
20 Do you do it by analysis or what tools do you use?

21 MR. KEITH: Well, Ed, most of the time -- well, first,
22 it is a multidiscipline review within Bechtel primarily
23 conducted at our scale model so that we can look at all the
24 equipment which is in a given area. In general, it is not
25 necessary to perform an analysis, because the plant,

1 particularly the outside containment, is pretty well
2 separated. Many of these kinds of problems are taken care
3 of. We do have some analytic tools such as for a steam line
4 break, we have a subcompartment pressure analysis we can do.
5 We haven't as yet found a need to do that outside of the
6 containment.

7 MR. VAN BRUNT: Since we are talking about steam line
8 breaks, to follow up on John's question a little bit, are
9 there any interconnections to the HVAC system or any other
10 interconnected mechanical systems between the main steam
11 support structure and the control building where the battery
12 systems are located where you could get this kind of flow of
13 steam which might raise the temperature above the limits for
14 the batteries or whatever?

15 MR. KEITH: I can't think of any. The distance between
16 the control building and the main steam support structure is
17 so far and there are no interconnecting HVAC systems or
18 anything.

19 MR. VAN BRUNT: Do you have a separate HVAC system for
20 the main steam support structure?

21 MR. KEITH: Yes, it is separate.

22 MR. VAN BRUNT: So the supplies and the exhaust and all
23 the rest of it are separate from that which is servicing
24 the control building?

25 MR. KEITH: Yes.

1 MR. KREUTZIGER: I had a follow-on question. Have
2 internal hazards of water which might be in the control
3 building, particularly service water supplies I would imagine
4 to cool in the area of potentially the control room air
5 conditioning system, has your hazard review addressed any
6 internal flooding and defined that it will not affect in a
7 common mode area?

8 MR. KEITH: Yes. Most of the water is confined to the
9 lower level of the control building. I think somebody asked
10 about watertight doors. As far as where the batteries are,
11 there is nothing, but down below we are separated so that the
12 train A HVAC system is separated from the train B HVAC system
13 to take care of any possible flooding. So that is part of our
14 separations review. To answer your question, yes, we do
15 look at it.

16 MR. VAN BRUNT: As a follow-up to that question, does
17 the battery room have a floor drain system or a drain system
18 of any sort?

19 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, it does.

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: Where does that system go? I realize
21 that is out of the electrical area, but it is an interrelated
22 kind of thing.

23 MR. BINGHAM: Well, it goes into the equipment drains,
24 and I don't recall without looking at the drawings, Ed, just
25 where it eventually ends up.



1 MR. KEITH: I was going to say our drainage system,
2 in the design of that, we have looked at potential back-
3 flooding and questions like that.

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: Well, I wasn't thinking of backflooding
5 so much, but I was thinking of some kind of catastrophic
6 failure in the batteries so that you end up with a lot of
7 sulfuric acid on the floor, where does that go and what
8 impact is that liable to have on whatever drain system it goes
9 into, where does it go. Does it get overboarded or whatever.
10 As a follow-on to that, what kind of floor coatings and stuff
11 have you got in the room and what impacts could a major spill
12 of sulfuric acid or something in that area have on that?
13 Is there any gaseous generation from the interaction of the
14 sulfuric acid and the floor coating? That is a whole
15 series of questions.

16 MR. BINGHAM: That is a lot of questions. Let's take
17 the first one. As you know, there is a retention basin on
18 site that all chemicals eventually end in so that they can be
19 monitored to assure a safe discharge to the evaporation ponds,
20 so they would go through the system either to the oily water
21 separator or bypass it and end up at the retention basin.

22 MR. VAN BRUNT: Bill, excuse me, before we leave that
23 point, and I realize that in this area, you may not be
24 prepared to answer right now, because we are talking about
25 electrical systems, but if we have this kind of spill, does

1 that go directly overboard to the retention basin or does it
2 go through some hold-up system, and if it goes directly
3 overboard, is there some monitoring system to assure that
4 through some other means you could get some radioactivity
5 in the room which then can go out into the retention basin?

6 MR. BINGHAM: The retention basin is the point of
7 monitoring. It is very difficult to catch things and there
8 is no provision except for oils out of the turbine building.

9 MR. VAN BRUNT: Does it go directly out or into a
10 sump and is then pumped out?

11 MR. BINGHAM: It probably goes into a sump, but, Ed,
12 I would have to look at the drawings.

13 MR. VAN BRUNT: Maybe that is something you could
14 follow up on, if you would.

15 MR. BINGHAM: We can look at that.

16 MR. ALLEN: There are some drawings over there.

17 MR. BINGHAM: Well, I know there are drawings there,
18 but I would need to spend quite a bit of time to perhaps
19 look at it.

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: Maybe at the break for lunch, if you
21 take a look at it, as a supplementary, you might provide us
22 with a little input on that.

23 MR. ALLEN: I have another question. To what extent
24 in your review of cable tray isolation and runs and the
25 proximity of pipes and stuff where you could get a break,

1 flooding or steam line break, how much detail in design
2 review do you do on the model now?

3 MR. BINGHAM: For this particular system or in general?

4 MR. ALLEN: However done. Do you go actually down to
5 the cable tray level, to the raceway level, or conduit level,
6 or how far down do you go I guess is my question on model
7 review?

8 MR. KEITH: We go all the way down to the raceway and
9 conduit level, cable tray and conduit level. You really have
10 to be able to say, for example, in these pipe breaks that you
11 are not wiping out some cabling which you may need to mitigate
12 the consequences of that pipe break.

13 MR. ALLEN: Then how do you document that you have
14 done that?

15 MR. KEITH: We have minutes of those meetings which
16 we keep on file.

17 MR. KREUTZIGER: Can I ask a clarifying question?
18 In your design review right now on the model, all conduit is
19 not shown, is that correct?

20 MR. KEITH: That is correct. For the conduit review,
21 we have to supplement the model with field generated drawings
22 showing the conduit routing.

23 MR. KREUTZIGER: Is there a procedure that would
24 identify a zone of influence of a hazard so that in the
25 subsequent routing of the raceway there would be a design

1 process such that we would not put a raceway in that area.

2 MR. KEITH: Yes, we are working in that area. In
3 general, just how we work, we have kind of the same problem
4 with instrument tubing as we have with the conduit routing,
5 and the nuclear discipline states where the hazard areas are
6 as far as where the pipe breaks are and the zones of influence
7 and transmit that to the electrical and controls disciplines
8 in an effort so that they will avoid those areas.

9 MR. FREID: If we go back to the physical drawing that we
10 had [Figure 10], the question is on independence between the trains.
11 You show a door between C channel and D channel, which is a
12 door between two trains. In the design criteria, I haven't
13 seen the general section, but I assume in your general HVAC
14 section, you have criteria for assuring that there is no
15 cross-connection between trains due to the HVAC channel.
16 However, is there a security system that assures that that
17 door is closed?

18 MR. BINGHAM: You are talking about the particular
19 door over there?

20 MR. FREID: That is the only interface that I see
21 between train A and train B, not channel but train.

22 MR. TAJADDODI: That's right. The answer to your
23 question, we don't know exactly what kind of monitoring
24 device we have on this one to make sure that this door is
25 always closed at this moment, but the reason for this door is

1 accessibility for reasons that the layout of the control
2 room itself, the battery room, is such that there should be
3 access from this side (indicating) to this side (indicating)
4 through some kind of a door. That is the reason for this
5 door here (indicating). But whether or not this is monitored
6 at this time I am not prepared to say.

7 MR. KEITH: We will have to check. As I recall, that
8 was recently added to the security system, but I will check
9 for sure.

10 MR. KREUTZIGER: That is a three-hour fire wall?

11 MR. BINGHAM: Yes.

12 MR. TAJADDODI: All these walls are three hours.

13 MR. FREID: Was my supposition correct that compliance
14 with the general criteria for HVAC assures that you don't
15 have any ducting that runs across that wall and connects the
16 two trains?

17 MR. TAJADDODI: We have looked at the ducting of the
18 four channels. We couldn't get a drawing produced in time,
19 but the drawing shows that the ducts come independently outside
20 to here like that (indicating). They don't come through the
21 doors like this (indicating).

22 MR. FREID: Are the ducts from separate air handling
23 units to each train?

24 MR. TAJADDODI: To each train, not to each channel.

25 MR. FREID: Each train?

1 MR. TAJADDODI: Each train, but not to each channel.
2 In other words, these two channels (indicating) share one
3 main duct that branches off and comes to these redundant
4 rooms.

5 MR. KEITH: To clarify, if there are any of the ducts
6 that go through the walls, then those ducts will have three-
7 hour fire dampers and any doors through the three-hour fire
8 wall are rated for three-hour doors.

9 MR. BARROW: In talking about the ducts, there has been
10 brought up a question of the battery room ventilation ducts
11 for the four battery rooms to ventilate, change the air in
12 the battery rooms enough to keep hydrogen buildup from
13 occurring. If I recall, the recent item we were looking at
14 in regard to the TMI safety evaluation was whether or not we
15 had four redundant ventilation ducts, one for each room. Can
16 you address that?

17 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes. We've got the main duct serving
18 the battery rooms. There is one damper in the main duct that
19 can fail and close all four, shut down the circulation of
20 these. That is one of the safety evaluation things that we
21 have found that is a design degradation. We've got to look
22 into it. There is a damper outside, and if it inadvertently
23 closes, it is going to shut off the ventilation to all four
24 rooms, and we are cognizant of that fact. We have looked
25 into it and the Safety Evaluation Task Force Four has identified

1 that it is a design defect and we will be rectifying that
2 design in time.

3 MR. ROSA: In addition to that, are there design
4 features in those ducts to prevent a hydrogen explosion in
5 one room from precipitating damage into any others?

6 MR. TAJADDODI: As I say, those ducts are coming
7 independently to the rooms. They don't cross over the rooms.
8 They come from outside. They go into the rooms and they branch
9 off outside the rooms and they go inside the rooms. If there
10 is any hydrogen evolution in here (indicating), the ducts are
11 such that if there is an explosion in the inside of a duct,
12 it is going to affect that train alone. It is not going to
13 affect the redundant trains. In other words, no C and D or
14 A and B battery rooms are going to be affected. They are
15 redundant trains. In other words, they've got one common
16 duct in each train, so that duct, if this is going to be
17 affected, it is going to affect only that train.

18 MR. BARROW: I think his question was, though,
19 suppose you had a hydrogen buildup in one room or one of the
20 batteries was physically damaged and shorted out and generated
21 a bunch of hydrogen, if that battery room suffered an
22 explosion, could the pressure wave from that explosion be
23 transmitted by the ducts to where they all join to that
24 common damper and then be transmitted to the other rooms?

25 MR. BINGHAM: No, the two systems are separate. You

1 could certainly get to the other room that is on the same
2 train, but you couldn't get to the other trains.

3 MR. BARROW: I thought you just said that there was
4 just one damper for all four channels.

5 MR. TAJADDODI: There is one main damper outside.

6 MR. KOPCHINSKI: Is that for the exhaust system?

7 MR. TAJADDODI: That is for the exhaust. However,
8 that damper location physically I cannot tell you right now.

9 MR. BINGHAM: Well, in any event, as Fred said, we are
10 looking at that and we are going to fix it so that won't
11 happen. The intent is not to be able to propagate these
12 kinds of environments between trains.

13 MR. VAN BRUNT: This is an open item that you owe us
14 a response?

15 MR. BINGHAM: Yes.

16 MR. TAJADDODI: We are cognizant of the fact that it is
17 one of the items in the task force.

18 MR. ROSA: I would suggest that you might even
19 consider providing some sort of isolation between the battery
20 rooms in the same train if you can.

21 MR. TAJADDODI: Isolation of ducts, you mean?

22 MR. ROSA: Yes; isolation in the ducts.

23 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, we have the dampers. We've got
24 subsequent dampers as well, but there is one main damper that
25 can cause a failure and shut off the exhaust to all four, but

1 each one has its own damper. Each one of these ducts coming
2 into the room has got its own damper. We do have isolation
3 for each room, but all four have got one main damper ahead
4 of them that if that closes, it shuts off the circulation
5 for all four, and that is the one that is causing the problem.
6 We do have isolation for each room. Each room has got its
7 damper.

8 MR. BARROW: The ventilation I assume is forced
9 ventilation, it uses suction. In other words, there are
10 blowers outside the rooms that draw air from the rooms through
11 the ducts?

12 MR. BINGHAM: It either draws it or pushes it, I don't
13 know which.

14 MR. BARROW: And those blower assemblies for this
15 ventilation are all seismically qualified?

16 MR. BINGHAM: Yes.

17 MR. FREID: One of the other comments I have is in
18 discussion of Standard 308, it discusses a design basis
19 accident or design basis event, and I don't recall in the
20 design criteria the definition of what the design basis event
21 to the system is.

22 MR. BINGHAM: Well, you have to go back to the general
23 criteria that apply to all the systems. For example, for
24 seismic, depending upon which building you are in, there is
25 an appendix in the general criteria that says use this criteria



1 for each of the different levels for your design.

2 MR. FREID: What about an accident for which the
3 loads -- you have a load table. Your design criteria
4 doesn't specify for which accidents you would want to assemble
5 those loads in designing the plant? A main steam line break,
6 several of these things, what has the actual design basis
7 been for which your loads are designed for which you have
8 battery capacity?

9 MR. TAJADDODI: I can answer that. The design basis
10 for our dc system is the loss of coolant accident. The worst
11 case as far as loading is concerned on the dc system as a
12 whole which taxes the dc system is the LOCA condition. Any
13 lower level accidents definitely can be met, but the limiting
14 condition is LOCA, and that is what the batteries and
15 chargers are sized for.

16 MR. KREUTZIGER: I have a question. I thought I had
17 understood that the actual loading table was based upon the
18 connected load. In other words, the load on the inverter,
19 you are assuming the entire load of that inverter is operating
20 in a continuous state?

21 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes.

22 MR. KREUTZIGER: So there is considerable conservatism.
23 In fact, you have taken the maximum output of that inverter
24 as being the design load that would come from the battery
25 system with respect to continuous supply?

1 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes. The inverter load is the rated
2 kva loading on the battery. In other words, we have assumed
3 a load on the battery to be equal to the rated value of the
4 inverter. Whatever the rating of that inverter is, that is
5 the loading on the dc battery.

6 MR. KREUTZIGER: But in your calculations, I had
7 understood Shelly Freid's question and that is my question,
8 do we have a table that shows what the local dc loads are
9 or are we in fact saying that the maximum loads that will
10 occur under the condition are on an output verified to be an
11 output of so many kva on the inverter?

12 MR. TAJADDODI: That is a typical example of what the
13 loading of the battery is (indicating).

14 MR. VAN BRUNT: Identify what it is you are looking at.

15 MR. TAJADDODI: This is the Class IE dc system load
16 drawing in your handout (Figure 24). As an example, this one
17 is described as dc subsystem A and, as you can see here, the
18 inverter load is a continuous load. In other words, when you
19 start the inverter, it's got some energy associated with it,
20 but this 160 amps is the continuous loading of the inverter,
21 and that, as you can see, is a continuous load for two hours.
22 The rest of the loads, as we can see, they are not on the
23 inverters and they've got the appropriate loading for a
24 one-minute interruptible and the continuous as they might be
25 appropriate.

1 MR. BARROW: Regarding this load profile, this gets
2 back to a question which Ron Paul asked earlier. He was
3 asking a question about the dc breaker installed between the
4 battery and the bus. Although we understand that the breaker
5 is an air circuit breaker with a higher rating than a
6 molded case breaker -- I think the rating you mentioned was
7 30,000 amps.

8 MR. TAJADDODI: Something like that.

9 MR. BARROW: Looking at the profile, I went from this
10 picture over to the next page in our handout (Figure 25), which
11 shows the profile on battery A. It shows a one-minute profile
12 of 912 amps, and then from the one minute to 119 minutes, it
13 shows 340 amps.

14 MR. TAJADDODI: The breaker is oversized, as you can
15 see.

16 MR. BARROW: Yes, but my question is coordination.
17 In other words, how do you size a dc breaker to protect
18 against a fault during the first minute of operation and also
19 to protect against a fault during the next 119 minutes of
20 operation without undergoing the risk of having it falsely
21 trip during the first minute.

22 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, if you are talking about fault
23 level, the fault level is going to be 30,000 amperes or
24 something in that range.

25 MR. BARROW: That is only based on a completely solidly

1 grounded fault.

2 MR. TAJADDODI: That's right.

3 MR. BARROW: I mean if you have a high impedance fault,
4 you may have a fault that is maybe just double the zero to
5 one minute rating.

6 MR. TAJADDODI: For the dc system, we don't have an
7 arcing ground fault as such. The likelihood of having a
8 high impedance ground fault for a dc system -- if that does
9 happen, we've got an alarm. The operator can be aware of that
10 condition. All those instruments and gauges indicating volts
11 and amperes are going to indicate an abnormal condition.

12 MR. BARROW: So what you are telling me is you are
13 setting this breaker maybe on the order of 5,000 amps or
14 something like that, a very high setting?

15 MR. TAJADDODI: It will be high. I can't quantify it
16 right now, but it will be high. It is high for two reasons.
17 One of them is to make sure it is not going to trip on the
18 high one-minute rating of the battery, to make sure that that
19 is not going to happen. Number two is that that was the
20 minimum size air-circuit breaker in that category that we can
21 find. We cannot find anything less than that. There are two
22 reasons for that and that is the reason.

23 MR. BARROW: Could we make an action item or something
24 for Bechtel to just check among their different projects to
25 see what the rest of Bechtel's practice is on the use of

1 dc breakers between the battery and the bus?

2 MR. BINGHAM: Let me answer that question. If the
3 question is whether we should use a circuit breaker or not --
4 is that the question?

5 MR. BARROW: No, the question is what is Bechtel doing
6 on other projects. We understand in the industry that there
7 is some movement to solidly bolt the batteries to the buses
8 rather than use a breaker or fuse because of the dangers of
9 inadvertent trips.

10 MR. TAJADDODI: Can I answer that question? That is a
11 requirement of 308 to have the breaker. If you go through
12 the requirements of the battery, you will see that 308
13 requires that the battery be connected to circuit breaker.

14 MR. BINGHAM: It would be a deviation from the criteria,
15 John, to do that.

16 MR. TAJADDODI: In the battery system, the description
17 on page 2 on battery supply, that is verbatim from IEEE 308.

18 MR. PAUL: But does it have to be a tripping breaker?

19 MR. TAJADDODI: The breaker, yes. The reason for that
20 is for testability. It calls for a circuit breaker. IEEE 308
21 specifically calls for a circuit breaker.

22 MR. BINGHAM: Is there any action that the Board would
23 like in that particular area as a carryon?

24 MR. VAN BRUNT: I imagine Ron has had his question
25 answered or is satisfied. I guess John by default had his

1 taken care of relative to what the standard says. I guess I
2 would like to see some additional information or interchange
3 between the project and Bechtel to assure that we have
4 adequately handled this. I think we need to look into Ron's
5 concern about testability and be sure that we have taken care
6 of that area, so I guess I would like to hear some more on
7 this subject.

8 MR. BINGHAM: Let's make sure we understand again
9 Ron's concern on testability.

10 MR. PAUL: I am questioning the necessity of a tripping
11 breaker in between the battery and the bus. Normally, I have
12 been led to understand that a disconnect switch is sufficient
13 with a means of switching to the testing connection so that
14 you don't have to disturb the dc system whenever you are
15 providing any maintenance on the equipment.

16 MR. BINGHAM: Ed, if I may, I had understood John
17 Barrow's question and Ron's question to be essentially
18 focusing on the same issue.

19 MR. ALLEN: Ron's is a little bit more, though, because
20 he goes into the maintenance.

21 MR. BINGHAM: I understand, but the issue is do you
22 replace the breaker with some other device.

23 MR. ALLEN: One part of it.

24 MR. BARROW: Mine was to replace a breaker with a
25 switch. Ron's was replace just the switch with like a



1 two-position switch that you can switch over to the testing
2 position:

3 MR. BINGHAM: We would be happy to look at that.

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: I think you need to evaluate this and
5 come back and provide an explanation that will permit us to
6 assure ourselves that we are satisfied with the design of this
7 particular area.

8 MR. BINGHAM: All right, fine.

9 MR. KOPCHINSKI: This is not a safety concern, then,
10 it is a maintenance concern?

11 MR. BARROW: Well, it is a safety concern in that we
12 are still concerned about the possibility of false trips on
13 that breaker when the battery has to go into emergency opera-
14 tion, the possibility it could false trip during the first
15 minute right when it got to peak.

16 MR. KREUTZIGER: I thought that I heard that when on
17 the SIAS signal, which is essentially the accident condition,
18 that we were bypassing it.

19 MR. TAJADDODI: That is not an isolation device. That
20 is not an isolation device under the requirements of 1.75.
21 That is all a Class IE system. The whole thing is IE.

22 MR. KREUTZIGER: No, is there a tripping -- is there
23 an overcurrent trip on that, a breaker on that, that is set
24 at some value below the fault current level?

25 MR. TAJADDODI: This breaker, first of all, for



1 continuous duty purposes is sized such that it can override
2 the one-minute in rushes, one-minute requirements of the
3 battery. Number two, it is sized such that if there is a
4 fault here (indicating), it can interrupt and protect the
5 battery. Now, I see two different questions. One is saying
6 that we've got to connect this solidly to the distribution
7 system.

8 MR. BARROW: Well, through a switch.

9 MR. TAJADDODI: The switch is not going to provide
10 any protection, because it cannot interrupt a fault, so from
11 that point of view, you are not protecting your battery. That
12 is out of the question.

13 The other question was why don't we have a molded case
14 circuit breaker. A molded case circuit breaker as far as
15 maintenance I don't see is much different than an air circuit
16 breaker. Anything with a fuse, first of all, has to be
17 maintained for test. Number two, it will be in violation of
18 IEEE 308.

19 MR. BARROW: Well, the thing is taking a protective
20 device out and losing a battery is not really a bad thing,
21 because that can only happen on one train and you have four
22 redundants, but what would be a good thing is if you had a
23 breaker to each one of those positions on each four trains
24 and you had a common mode failure of that breaker. In other
25 words, a common mode, it open circuited inadvertently, when

1 you had an SIAS signal it open circuited inadvertently and
2 you lost a battery connected to those.

3 MR. TAJADDODI: These breakers have got no interface
4 with an SIAS signal. They've got no connection to an SIAS
5 system.

6 MR. BARROW: No, I am saying that they open circuited
7 inadvertently when the batteries picked up the short-term
8 load.

9 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, but I told you this is well above
10 its one-minute loading let alone the continuous loading,
11 so it couldn't inadvertently open. Maybe I am misunderstanding
12 your question.

13 MR. BARROW: I am talking about a common mode failure
14 problem, not normal operation.

15 MR. BINGHAM: Single failure.

16 MR. BARROW: Yes. If you had a common mode failure
17 in those breakers, because they are all the exact same
18 breaker --

19 MR. BINGHAM: You are talking about four failures.

20 MR. BARROW: Four failures, but the definition of
21 common mode failure is to have identical devices fail the
22 same way.

23 MR. FREID: I think what he is saying, Bill, is that
24 the thing is rated for 5,000 amps, but it actually trips at
25 900, because that is what your one-minute in rush is. If



1 there is an inherent design deficiency in one circuit breaker,
2 that same design deficiency would exist in all the circuit
3 breakers, so when you demanded one of them, none of them
4 would go on, because they all had the same design flaw.

5 MR. BARROW: That's right.

6 MR. BINGHAM: Well, that's true for any component in
7 the system.

8 MR. BARROW: Well, what we are saying is that you
9 could remove that possibility in line with what Ron was saying
10 by removing that active device and replacing it with a
11 passive device.

12 MR. VAN BRUNT: Without belaboring the point further,
13 do you understand the concern that the Board is raising
14 relative to this matter?

15 MR. BINGHAM: I am beginning to understand it. One
16 of the things that we have to deal with is it does depart
17 from the established criteria for the system.

18 MR. VAN BRUNT: Yes, I understand that.

19 MR. ROSA: From the standpoint of the NRC, the
20 requirement in 308 for a breaker in that position I think is
21 intended to reflect good design practice for equipment
22 protection. We recognize the probability of a spurious trip,
23 say, on this initial high current, but the same thing can
24 be said of every main feeder breaker on all the main buses.
25 The diesel generator breakers, for instance, on the



1 4160-volt buses, the same analogous position, and they
2 all contain overload features, automatic trip features, and
3 so forth. So before you go down that road of considering
4 just a plain disconnect there, I think you ought to give it
5 a lot of thought.

6 MR. TAJADDODI: We particularly felt that we enhanced
7 the reliability of the system by having the circuit breaker
8 in it. We realized that you can have a fuse thing in here,
9 but that was unacceptable as far as testability was concerned.
10 Every time you test a fuse, you've got problems with that,
11 but, also, as you mentioned, these things are common to all
12 the electrical systems whether they be dc systems or ac systems.
13 They are all subject to common mode failure. Even a diesel
14 generator is subject to common mode failure.

15 MR. BINGHAM: Ed, do you want to finish with what the
16 Board would like us to do?

17 MR. VAN BRUNT: Well, I want to be sure you understand
18 the concern that has been raised and comments of the various
19 people. I think that it is an area, just listening to it,
20 that I think you need to go back and think about. If you
21 understand the concern that is being raised, I would ask that
22 you go back and think about it and come back with a
23 discussion of this particular point and why it is not a
24 problem or what we ought to do about it to be sure that it
25 isn't a problem.

1 MR. ROSA: There is one other comment that bears on
2 this, I believe. Preoperational testing of the systems
3 includes the actual simultaneous actuation of all ECCS loads
4 which would impose that design load on that particular
5 breaker, and that is repeated every 18 months.

6 MR. BINGHAM: That's true.

7 MR. VAN BRUNT: That is partly getting to what I was
8 going to say. I think we ought to think it through to
9 relieve some of the concern about inadvertent operation of
10 that breaker. Because of the testing of those components,
11 as Mr. Rosa has mentioned, that relieves any items that you
12 will have subject to inadvertent operation or maloperation,
13 but you relieve that by continuous testing and proper setting.

14 Are there any other questions in this area?

15 MR. KARNER: I would like to get back to separation
16 for a little bit. When you talked about doing your separation
17 reviews, were you doing those reviews for separation of all
18 four channels in the event of pipe whip or some kind of
19 physical phenomenon or were you looking at separation of the
20 two trains?

21 MR. KEITH: It is primarily separation of the two
22 trains, but what we allow or our criterion is that, for
23 example, a pipe break doesn't wipe out more than one channel
24 of the four. We do not allow a pipe break to wipe out two
25 channels. We do allow it to wipe out one.

1 MR. ROSA: Even within the same train?

2 MR. KEITH: A channel would always be in the same
3 train as the pipe break. There are two channels that are
4 kind of associated with each train of the four channels, but
5 we only allow the pipe break to wipe out one channel.

6 MR.. VAN BRUNT: Associated with a train? We've got
7 four channels, A, B, C, and D, and I don't know whether it is
8 right, but A and B say go with the A train and C and D go
9 with the other train, and if you've got some kind of
10 mechanical phenomenon, pipe whip, associated with the A train,
11 it will only take out one of the electrical channels associated
12 with that train. Is that what I heard you say?

13 MR. KEITH: Well, what I said was we assure that it
14 does not take out more than one channel. If it does take out
15 a channel, the channel almost certainly would be associated
16 with that train just because of the physical location.

17 MR.. VAN BRUNT: But you can't take out both of the
18 channels with that train.

19 MR.. KEITH: No.

20 MR.. ROGERS: I am going to continue on. A little
21 while ago you talked about field generated drawings and you
22 said that in field generated drawings you establish certain
23 hazard zones and you don't permit, say, conduit to be run
24 within those certain hazard zones if I understood you correctly.
25 Is that right, Dennis?

1 MR. KEITH: That's correct.

2 MR. ROGERS: What I would like to ask is how do you
3 verify that the drawings that are generated in the field
4 and the actual physical equipment are implemented correctly?
5 How do you go out and verify that they don't impact or get
6 into an area that is incorrect?

7 MR. BINGHAM: That poses an interesting question.
8 The way that we are proposing to have the ultimate check is
9 to have a walkdown of the systems. At the present time, from
10 time to time, we are finding from various individuals looking
11 at the systems that there are some things that are getting
12 inadvertently through. The installation of conduit happens
13 to be one that we are trying very hard to look at on the
14 model, but there are cases that occur where we may encroach
15 on the particular space or something else. All the piping
16 systems will be walked down as part of our release for the
17 systems to determine and to make sure that all the restraints,
18 supports, and so forth, are in the proper place. Other
19 systems are going to be walked down as well. We are presently
20 thinking about I think throughout all of our companies just
21 how best to accomplish this means, because it is an area that
22 has to be done. So, in answer to your question, we are
23 probably doing 90% of the job now. The other 10% we are going
24 to pick up in some means such as walking the systems down
25 prior to turnover to start-up or actually maybe during the

1 functional testing of the system.

2 MR. ROGERS: So I understand then that all of the
3 conduit will not be shown on the model?

4 MR. BINGHAM: All the conduit will not be shown on the
5 model.

6 MR. ROGERS: So that means that you will bring
7 engineers familiar with the criteria over to the field and
8 have them walk it down?

9 MR. BINGHAM: Yes.

10 MR. ROGERS: When will this be done?

11 MR. BINGHAM: Well, like I said, probably sometime
12 around functional testing or just prior to the start-up
13 functional testing of the systems.

14 MR. ROGERS: Have you considered doing that as it goes
15 in with the field-generated drawings themselves?

16 MR. BINGHAM: We have, and, as I said, we can't
17 assure 100% compliance until everything is there. The idea is
18 to get as far along as you can and make sure you catch major
19 items through all the eyes that are available to look at
20 what is going on in the field..

21 MR. ROGERS: This does get us back to a question that
22 I raised much earlier, and that was changes to design criteria.
23 I am concerned about the changes in the criteria and how we
24 go back and verify that those changes are implemented properly.
25 I don't think that you ever came to a final discussion on how

1 the criteria and specifications which evolved from the
2 criteria and the equipment which are produced from the
3 specifications do finally meet the criteria that you have
4 implemented in, say, Revision 6 or Revision 7. What is the
5 review process that ensures us that the criteria indeed are
6 met in the final design product that is in the field?

7 MR. BINGHAM: Well, it is a multipronged effort. As I
8 indicated, the industry, including Bechtel, is focusing on
9 the best way to come up with that assurance not just in these
10 systems, but all systems. We have our proceduralized setup
11 that I discussed earlier which sets everything in motion.
12 We still are dependent upon people to fulfill their function,
13 their jobs, that we have described. We insist that all the
14 key documents be signed and/or stamped by registered
15 professional engineers in the appropriate states with its
16 associated code of ethics and practices that they must follow
17 as professional engineers. Toward the end of the job, we
18 will have a formal design change control program that will
19 assure proper level of reviews and in fact go to the higher
20 levels of engineering and project management, and then we
21 will follow that up, as I said, with various programs of
22 walking down the systems with engineers that are familiar with
23 the design. There are other agencies that will be helping
24 us review it. For example, the Compliance Division of NRC
25 before an operating license is signed will again review the

1 work that Bechtel has done, for example, for compliance
2 with the commitments in the licensing document. Again, if
3 you recall, I said there is a one-to-one correlation between
4 the design criteria and the commitments in the licensing
5 document. So we have several levels; plus the utility also
6 is reviewing and assuring themselves that the design that is
7 installed does reflect the criteria that they have approved.
8 So we have Bechtel, we have the utility, we have the
9 regulatory agencies all looking at the same things. Finally,
10 we are developing more comprehensive programs and will be
11 developing them to assure that we have met the criteria and
12 have implemented the design, including changes, properly.
13 You know, of course, that present history of operating plants
14 is that there is a significant amount of changes for various
15 reasons up to the day of loading fuel and even subsequent to
16 that. So it is an ongoing program that is being done.
17 You have these three different agencies and you have the
18 different levels with the group.

19 MR. ROGERS: Let me take another tack on the same
20 question. Revision 5, January 18, 1980, of the 125-volt
21 dc IE design criteria states that the NSSS IE dc load sizings
22 given in reference one shall be used in sizing the Class IE
23 batteries. Reference one is the CE Balance of Plant Criteria
24 Section 22, Table 22.3.. Combustion Engineering Standard
25 Engineering Package Revision 6 refers to references one and two,

1 so there is another listing for NSSS loads. What assures us
2 that in the final design you used both references.

3 MR. BINGHAM: Let me talk about that one particularly.
4 Just a while ago, we were advised by Combustion Engineering
5 that the use of the SEP is no longer appropriate and should
6 not be referenced in our design critiera. This was as a
7 result of their review of the later revisions of our design
8 criteria. We since have been going back through revising the
9 criteria to pick up the correct reference and have been
10 assuring ourselves through our own review and the review CE
11 has made of our design that the proper loads have been
12 incorporated in the design. What you are seeing now is
13 making the proper reference to the actual criteria.

14 MR. ROGERS: Do you go back with the new or revised
15 criteria to the calculations and verify those calculations
16 again to assure you and us that the loads are indeed proper
17 to the new criteria?

18 MR. BINGHAM: In general, we would do that. This
19 specific case goes the other way around. The loads were
20 already in the calcs and now we are getting the reference
21 right.

22 MR. ROGERS: So you would go back to each calculation
23 and verify that the numbers are correct and then go to the
24 specifications and verify that we are indeed purchasing the
25 proper equipment?



1 MR. BINGHAM: That's correct.

2 MR. SHEPARD: Bill, I think you probably know there
3 have been occurrences in operating plants where the battery
4 charger has been identified to have failed. I mean by that
5 the battery charger has failed to accept load. These failures
6 and the manufacturer of the charger in each case have been
7 identified in the operating report. The manufacturer for our
8 battery chargers is Power Conversion Product, Incorporated.
9 My question is does Bechtel know of failures of battery
10 chargers made by this manufacturer which have occurred at any
11 of Bechtel's plants and/or other operating plants?

12 MR. BINGHAM: Fred, you looked at this one, didn't you,
13 for us?

14 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes. We are aware of the problems
15 that can happen to the chargers. We've got also Bechtel's
16 experience and feedback through different divisions as to
17 what kind of problems we can expect on different equipment.
18 As far as the failure of a charger is concerned, as far as
19 safety requirements of the system, we consider that the way
20 it is designed, even if the charger fails, we are not going
21 to violate single failures like the failure of any other
22 component. Now, if we've got a common mode failure of
23 equipment, we will know through our experiences, but so far
24 we have not identified a problem with the chargers to be of
25 the magnitude to require addressing on a major level, but if

1 there is a failure of such magnitude that needs to be under-
2 taken, Bechtel will take the appropriate measures to rectify
3 the situation.

4 MR. BINGHAM: Let me add --

5 MR. SHEPARD: Your response is --

6 MR. BINGHAM: Are you addressing the manufacturer of
7 our battery chargers?

8 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, I didn't understand your question
9 specifically. What do you mean?

10 MR. SHEPARD: In selecting the bidder and subsequently,
11 have you looked at failures of that manufacturer in other
12 operating plants?

13 MR. BINGHAM: I think I understand the question a
14 little better. I thought you were focusing on that one
15 particular issue. The answer is yes and, as a matter of fact,
16 we have several organizations within our company looking at
17 these particular things. If it were a plant that has not
18 yet procured a particular component, we will through our
19 Procurement Department and through our Engineering Department
20 be looking at whether a vendor is qualified. Let's say that
21 we have already bought something. We then have what we call
22 problem alerts that come from the chief engineers where they
23 have heard that this particular component or manufacturer is
24 not doing a satisfactory job. The project engineer is
25 notified. The group supervisor in charge of this particular



1 design is notified and is formally requested to respond how
2 this particular issue is being handled. That is reviewed by
3 the chief. Generally it sets up a complete chain of review.
4 Usually the customer or the utility is involved. The vendor
5 is called in immediately to sort out the problem, and in some
6 cases even a vendor's product may be dropped and another used.
7 So there are several checks and balances.

8 MR. TAJADDODI: Bill, I might also mention the I&E
9 bulletins that are coming from NRC, which have from time to
10 time mentioned the serious problems that other utilities might
11 be experiencing on equipment, and they are circulated
12 throughout the whole industry for information trying to alert
13 problems of a nature that you have described. So NRC also
14 helps us in that manner through the IE bulletins and informa-
15 tion.

16 MR. VAN BRUNT: Bill, before we get off this subject,
17 I would like to ask that you assure the Board -- you don't
18 have to do it right now, but assure the Board that you have
19 talked to our particular manufacturer and that he has
20 identified any problems to you that he is aware of.

21 MR. BINGHAM: I'll do that, Ed, and, as you probably
22 know, in general, when we get a question that comes in, we
23 send letters out to all the manufacturers of the particular
24 product. Generally it is a product not necessarily a name
25 brand and we get responses in writing from those individual

1 suppliers. We compile them, review them, and then send them
2 to you for your review, and all of these that have been
3 flagged either have been answered and are documented in the
4 records or they are in the process of being documented.

5 MR. VAN BRUNT: I understand. I would like you to
6 verify to us that that has in fact happened.

7 MR. BINGHAM: We'll find out.

8 MR. ROSA: Bill, has aging been considered in the
9 seismic qualification of batteries?

10 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, it has. We are going to talk about
11 qualification toward the end of the presentation, Faust, and
12 we can get into that to any depth you would like at that time.

13 MR. KARNER: I would like to get back again to
14 separation. You indicated that in your separation reviews
15 as far as pipe whip, you only allow one channel to be
16 disrupted by any given pipe whip. What is your criterion for
17 fire protection relative to degradation of one or more
18 channels?

19 MR. KEITH: Don, in certain selected areas, for example
20 you saw the battery rooms themselves, they are all separated
21 by fire walls, and in the control room, I think the cabinets
22 are pretty well taken care of, but, in generally, I think the
23 conduit and all that is just separated trainwise rather than
24 channelwise as far as meeting the NRC exposure fire criteria.
25 As far as meeting Reg. Guide 1.75, we meet that and we meet



1 those separation requirements on a channel basis, but as far
2 as the exposure fire, I don't think -- you know, I think we
3 just meet that on a train basis rather than on a per channel.

4 MR. TAJADDODI: With the exception of the battery
5 rooms. They meet that requirement anyway. We meet the
6 battery room requirements on a channel basis.

7 MR. FERGUSON: In the fire walls between the battery
8 rooms, are there any penetrations of any kind?

9 MR. TAJADDODI: We can show you what we have.

10 MR. KEITH: That doesn't show. I am not sure, Chuck.
11 If there are any, they will be qualified for three hours. In
12 a three-hour wall, all the penetrations are qualified.

13 MR. FERGUSON: So it covers the whole thing?

14 MR. KEITH: Yes.

15 MR. VAN BRUNT: Let me follow up with a question. I
16 gather from the conversation there is a sprinkler system or
17 whatever in the battery room, is that correct?

18 MR. TAJADDODI: A CO₂ system.

19 MR. VAN BRUNT: So there is no water in the battery
20 room, so I take it then the drain system is not sized to
21 handle water.

22 MR. BINGHAM: It would be leakage from the battery
23 runs and such as that.

24 MR. VAN BRUNT: That is what I was going to ask. What
25 is the sizing basis for the drain system?



1 MR. TAJADDODI: Let me say we've got a backup. The
2 primary fire protection is CO₂, but the backup is fire
3 sprinklers and hoses. They are primarily CO₂ unless the CO₂
4 is not available because of malfunction. Then you go to
5 the fire hoses, and those are the basis for the drains.

6 MR. VAN BRUNT: Then the fire hoses are the basis for
7 the drain system sizing, is that correct?

8 MR. KEITH: We are going to get back to you on the
9 drain system anyhow.

10 MR. VAN BRUNT: Would you add that to part of that?

11 MR. KEITH: Yes.

12 MR. BINGHAM: Let me indicate, Ed, for the panel's
13 information that there is a design criterion that covers the
14 design and sizing of all the drains throughout, which this is
15 one piece, and we can go into that information and pick out
16 the information.

17 MR. VAN BRUNT: I realize it is a little out of the
18 basic thrust of this meeting, but it is all related to the
19 adequacy of this system, that the batteries could be flooded
20 out because we didn't have adequate drainage capacity in the
21 rooms or something like that.

22 MR. BINGHAM: John Allen I believe had a question.

23 MR. ALLEN: Yes. Let's go back to the failures again.
24 Fred, during your presentation, you indicated that we meet
25 the single failure criteria. However, since TMI, there has



1 been a lot more emphasis on going beyond meeting the single
2 failure criteria. Maybe it is not quite good enough. What
3 has Bechtel done in their review of this system to maybe take
4 that just one step further and see if the single failure
5 criteria is adequate?

6 MR. BINGHAM: The answer to your question, John, is
7 that we have been thinking about it, but we have not at this
8 time done any substantial work on this particular system. One
9 of the systems that we will probably be looking at is the
10 auxiliary feedwater system. We have become aware of this
11 particular concern and, should there be some future work that
12 is done in the industry, we will apply it, but right at the
13 present time we do not have any plans to go into detailed
14 analysis on this particular system.

15 MR. ALLEN: What you are saying then is we look at the
16 auxiliary feedwater system and you take it a step further,
17 the dc 125-volt. class system would be a part of that analysis.

18 MR. BINGHAM: It would be a part of that analysis,
19 that's right.

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: Bill, I think for the record and for
21 future consideration that you should specifically consider
22 some additional testing of the system, and I don't mean
23 physically testing, I mean other kinds of testing of the
24 system looking at how far the system can go beyond the
25 regulatory design basis, if you like, and share that with us.

1 MR. BINGHAM: All right.

2 MR. VAN BRUNT: I have another question along those
3 lines. Early in the presentation, Fred talked about all these
4 codes and standards and Reg. Guides, and so forth, and so
5 on, that apply to the design of this system, or any system,
6 for that matter. In your design of these systems, how do you
7 consider those Reg. Guides? Do you consider them as minimum
8 requirements, do you consider them as the maximum requirements
9 you've got to have, or what?

10 MR. BINGHAM: Well, Ed, it depends on what particular
11 system you are looking at. Certainly there are requirements
12 that we have or the utility has committed to as part of their
13 construction permit, so they are a mandatory part of the
14 criteria. There are cases where we have put forth arguments
15 with NRC for various reasons, because they do permit that if
16 we believe our system meets the intent of the design require-
17 ments. Sometimes we win; sometimes we lose. So to say they
18 are mandatory in some cases, they are imposed necessary
19 criteria as part of doing business. There are other cases
20 where for a particular utility there may be things built
21 into the design that are particular utility concerns --
22 coatings, maybe some other type of fastener, remover, or a
23 standard sort of thing amongst various components that allows
24 a utility to have better assurance of having high availability
25 of the plant, ease of maintaining, so forth. That may be

1 built into the criteria. Maybe one could say well, it is
2 above and beyond, but I look at it as being supplemental to
3 the basic criteria that we have.

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: Well, let me say it a little different
5 way, because you didn't quite get at what I was trying to get
6 at. Do you ever exceed the regulatory requirements in the
7 design?

8 MR. BINGHAM: Do we ever exceed the regulatory
9 requirement? Can you tell me what you mean by exceed?

10 MR. VAN BRUNT: Well, if the regulatory requirements
11 say you need two cables for redundancy, would you for
12 reliability purposes, and I am talking about as a basic good
13 design, forgetting the safety aspects of this, would you put
14 in four, let's say.

15 MR. BINGHAM: We may.

16 MR. VAN BRUNT: So, coming back, you don't view the
17 regulatory requirements as you are going to go that far and
18 not any further. You might for good and sound reasons go
19 beyond that or whatever as a basic design requirement.

20 MR. BINGHAM: Absolutely, yes.

21 MR. KEITH: As an example, in this system, the swing
22 chargers, the two swing chargers which we have, are not
23 required by the regulations.

24 MR. BINGHAM: And they are put in to allow the plant
25 to stay on line a longer time. That is a good example,

1 Dennis.

2 MR. VAN BRUNT: I've got a couple of other questions
3 I want to get in. Does the Board have some other questions?

4 MR. KRAMER: When we were discussing compliance with
5 Reg. Guide 1.75, the first requirement, you mentioned some-
6 thing about isolation devices associated with the Class IE
7 dc system that were actuated by SIAS. What devices are these?

8 MR. TAJADDODI: Breakers. Most isolation devices are
9 breakers, which are actuated other than by a fault current.
10 That is the requirement of 1.75. The other requirement
11 besides the fault current is the opening on SIAS. Those are
12 what we consider as qualified isolation devices in accordance
13 with 1.75.

14 MR. KRAMER: Well, I was just looking for at least an
15 example of one in this system.

16 MR. TAJADDODI: We don't have isolation devices other
17 than that because it is all Class IE. We don't isolate
18 Class IE from non-Class IE, because we don't have the two
19 associated together. All the system is Class IE. We don't
20 intend to isolate it. We are all within that same system,
21 so we don't have an isolation device per se here with the
22 exception of that panel that we mentioned in the control room,
23 which is for indication purposes, and there is a qualified
24 inverter there and a breaker plus analysis to meet the
25 requirements of 1.75. That is the only place we have an



1 isolation device.

2 MR. ROSA: I just want to verify something you said
3 here. 1.75 does not recognize fault current operated devices
4 as isolation.

5 MR. TAJADDODI: Alone, that's right. It has got to be
6 actuated.

7 MR. ROSA: By an SIAS signal.

8 MR. TAJADDODI: By an SIAS signal.

9 MR. ROSA: Or there should be a qualified isolation
10 device.

11 MR. TAJADDODI: Right. Absolutely.

12 MR. BINGHAM: Ed, are there some more questions?

13 MR. VAN BRUNT: Yes, I have a few more.

14 MR. BINGHAM: Mr. Allen has one. You might want him
15 to go first.

16 MR. ALLEN: Awhile ago, we talked about the safety
17 equipment status panel being non-IE, but it being located on
18 the control board next to the IE devices. How do we ensure
19 we have adequate separation between those two on the control
20 board?

21 MR. TAJADDODI: Physical separation?

22 MR. ALLEN: Right.

23 MR. TAJADDODI: Under 1.75, the equipment is purchased
24 to meet the requirements of internal wiring and barriers are
25 installed inside to meet the requirements of 1.75, six-inch

1 separation between the wiring if not a barrier between the
2 devices, and so forth, to meet the requirements of 1.75.
3 These are part of our equipment procurement procedure that
4 the manufacturer has got to follow and we check those and
5 make sure that the wiring inside meets the requirements of
6 six-inch minimum or qualified barriers, whatever is needed to
7 meet the requirements of separation.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: Bill, before I ask a question, and
9 maybe you didn't hear me, because you didn't answer it, this
10 is going back to some kind of spill of sulfuric acid or
11 whatever in the battery room. We have floor coatings of some
12 sort, I don't remember what they are, in that room. What have
13 you done to assure that there aren't any reactions between
14 the acid and the floor coatings that might generate some
15 hazardous gas or explosive mixture or whatever the case might
16 be?

17 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, you did, that's right. I forgot
18 to answer that question. I think two things are important.
19 First of all, the plant is designed to meet the OSHA
20 requirements, which bring into play all the safety issues for
21 personnel, for example. The second part is the protection of
22 equipment, and the coatings are selected to be compatible with
23 the type of environment that they are going to seal. For
24 example, in these particular rooms, the coating would be
25 compatible with the acid that is being spilled on it to assure

1 personnel protection and ease of cleanup after the spill.

2 MR. VAN BRUNT: I guess I would like you to, unless
3 you can right now, verify for the panel that there are no
4 reactions between whatever the coating is in that room and
5 the acid if it was spilled.

6 The second part of that question, do you happen
7 to know what has been done to assure that the support rack
8 structure for the batteries and things like this will not be
9 corroded or otherwise react to the acid should there be
10 spills?

11 MR. BINGHAM: There will be some degradation. Again,
12 I guess we are focusing on normal maintenance and not on a
13 particular failure in this case, because we have said that
14 if there is a failure of one channel, which might be a
15 complete spill of a battery or degradation of the racks, that
16 that is acceptable because of the redundancy.

17 MR. VAN BRUNT: I guess I am going beyond the safety
18 case now.

19 MR. BINGHAM: For the maintenance, yes. I guess I
20 could mention that the utility and engineer have meetings
21 either once or every other month looking specifically at
22 maintenance concerns on this plant, and those are done with
23 a preestablished agenda looking throughout the whole plant
24 on assuring that we have addressed all of the maintenance
25 operability issues. So from a maintenance viewpoint, there is

1 quite a program going on that is documented through minutes
2 of meetings that deal with these particular issues. Whether
3 the specific one you have mentioned or not is documented I
4 don't know.

5 MR. KOPCHINSKI: Yes, it is.

6 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, we were going to cover these.
7 I think we are slightly ahead of ourselves, because these are
8 covered in the component description which we do mention
9 later on in the presentation. The battery racks are of
10 structural steel with acid-resistant coating.

11 MR. VAN BRUNT: How about the connection to the floor?

12 MR. TAJADDODI: The connection is as well. We are
13 going to cover these. We tried to summarize these things as
14 much as possible. There are some connections that may not
15 be, but the racks themselves are coated. The racks are
16 coated, but some of the connections might not be.

17 MR. VAN BRUNT: What I was really getting at, I am
18 thinking of a battery rack in my car. After while it gets
19 corroded and these connections might get corroded here, and
20 then if they were subject to earthquake or something like
21 that, had they been, we can end over a period of time such
22 that you might get some adverse effect from it. That could
23 be kind of viewed as a common mode kind of situation, because
24 it could happen in both battery racks.

25 MR. BINGHAM: We will discuss that.

1 MR. VAN BRUNT: If you are going to discuss it, I will
2 get off that particular kick.

3 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, we have that in here.

4 MR. BINGHAM: Let's take that up at that time. If
5 there are any other areas the Board would desire that we look
6 at in more detail, I am sure we can get the information for
7 you.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: I want to go back and follow up on
9 the area that Carter was delving into a little bit. I think
10 Dennis when he was talking about this indicated that conduit
11 runs are generated in the field drawings. I would like to
12 understand a little better how the criteria are communicated
13 to the field people to generate those drawings, what internal
14 controls you have on preparation of those drawings to assure
15 that they are signed off by the appropriately technically
16 qualified people, what are the kinds of people that are doing
17 this work to be sure that these drawings which are generated
18 in the field have the same design review level, if you like,
19 as home office generated drawings.

20 MR. BINGHAM: You are focusing on the conduit drawings
21 particularly?

22 MR. VAN BRUNT: Or any field generated drawings.
23 Dennis happened to mention field generated conduit drawings,
24 and I was interested in how you control those particular
25 drawings and changes to them, because you have a 100- or 300-

1 mile chasm that you have to span between Downey and the
2 Palo Verde site.

3 MR. BINGHAM: Very difficultly, I guess is the answer.
4 The drawings are generated in the field. They are brought
5 into the home office, where they are reviewed for whether
6 there are congested areas involved or not or interferences.
7 Generally, we have about 20% that fall in that category. The
8 other 80% are being put on the model to assure that things
9 are in order. Once that check is done, then they go back out
10 to the field for installation.

11 MR. VAN BRUNT: What criteria are the engineers or
12 draftsmen or whoever in the field that are generating these
13 drawings working to?

14 MR. BINGHAM: Well, generally, they have what are
15 called work plan procedures or instructions that are reviewed
16 by the home office engineer. In fact, every work plan procedure
17 is reviewed by engineering to assure that the technique that
18 is depicted in the procedure reflects approved criteria. Then
19 they will do their work to that particular procedure, which is
20 auditable, and submit the information then to us. We have a
21 procedure, and I believe that it is partly in modification
22 right now, to make sure that we have proper instructions to
23 all the individuals that accomplish that review.

24 MR. VAN BRUNT: Do these field generated drawings
25 become a part of the final drawing record for the plant?

1 MR. BINGHAM: Yes. In some cases, they are actually
2 either shown or referenced on our permanent plant drawings.
3 For example, all the underground field generated drawings
4 are shown on the underground drawings or are referenced to
5 a particular field generated drawing number.

6 MR. VAN BRUNT: Are these units specific drawings or
7 are they a single drawing as we have in most of the other
8 areas?

9 MR. BINGHAM: Well, in some cases, they are plant
10 specific. In other cases, they will cover the total area
11 outside; in other words, the yard area, so to speak. The
12 other drawings are generally referenced on an as-built listing
13 that we have for each unit. The intent is to have a complete
14 compilation of all the drawings, the design changes, and
15 other related documents such as nonconformance reports, and
16 so forth. If something doesn't get located exactly right, we
17 are not going to rip it up and change it, but we want some
18 documentation of how it looks, so you will either see it on a
19 drawing or you will see it in the as-built records.

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: In what is left of your presentation,
21 are you going to get into -- we have been talking a lot about
22 the conversion of design criteria and the specific design
23 drawings. We haven't talked very much about specifications
24 and procurement. Are you going to get into that at all?

25 MR. BINGHAM: Not in detail, Ed. I think if the Board

1 has some particular questions on those, it would be
2 appropriate now to bring them up, and if we don't have the
3 answers now, we could get them during the break.

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: What I wanted to get into is really
5 the same kind of discussion that we just had on the field
6 generated drawings. You have a lot of criteria the majority
7 of which for this particular system end up in drawings.
8 However, there are a lot of criteria in the form of loads and
9 other things that end up in the form of specifications to
10 manufacturers who provide us with a piece of equipment. I am
11 interested in what the process is to assure that all of the
12 design criteria get incorporated into those specifications.

13 Secondly, what is the mechanism to assure you that
14 the manufacturer understands those criteria, how do you go
15 about selecting the manufacturer, the whole procurement
16 process, if you like, and then after the equipment is purchased,
17 what kind of controls are put on interfacing in the exchange
18 of underdrawings and those kind of things to assure that the
19 criteria that come from the specific vendor that provides this
20 pieces of equipment is factored back into the system design
21 that we have been talking about.

22 MR. BINGHAM: I can answer those questions without
23 further work.

24 MR. VAN BRUNT: I hope so.

25 MR. BINGHAM: Let me preface and say, though, that

1 even though we think we have a very workable system, there are
2 always times when we have some breakdowns that are picked up
3 and we have to go back and reinforce those particular areas.
4 Let's talk about the procurement cycle a minute and particu-
5 larly from the design viewpoint, which is I think where we
6 are trying to focus anyhow.

7 MR. VAN BRUNT: You might also relate to the utility's
8 role in that process as well, at least from your perspective.

9 MR. BINGHAM: All right. From our perspective, the
10 start of the procurement cycle is really the design criteria
11 and the plant application. From that, we take one of our
12 standard specs and modify it to meet the particular plant
13 design. That is reviewed by the disciplines to assure that
14 all of the requirements they have for a particular system or
15 component that is being ordered has been included. That is
16 really not good enough for us, because we find that, while
17 you may get 95%, it is the other 5 that is missing that many
18 times is not desirable, so we have a set of checks and
19 balances in the review of specifications that consists of
20 about three sheets that are attached and are part of the
21 record of the review of the specifications. One of them is a
22 sheet that documents the review of the codes engineer, that
23 all of the codes are appropriate for this particular specifica-
24 tion; that is, the right reference, the right year, whatever
25 code cases are involved, and any other pertinent information.

1 The second sheet is a review of the licensing requirements,
2 that is, the commitments and the licensing documents, and
3 that goes through and assures that all the commitments are
4 being met and gives a reference of where that occurs or, in
5 general, its source. There is a final sheet that is put
6 together by the quality engineer in each discipline, which
7 is a check-off sheet much like when you start up an airplane
8 or anything else. It has several questions, items that they
9 must verify that have been covered in the specifications.
10 Once this is done, then I as a project engineer have assurance
11 that all of the pertinent criteria have been reviewed for
12 incorporation in that document.

13 I have another level of review, which is the
14 chief's office, to assure that the component is the proper
15 component and reflects all that we have learned throughout
16 industry and represents good practice. That document then
17 is sent to the utility for review, and the utility has a
18 program, and now I am looking from the perspective of our
19 relationship with APS, of review where they will check again
20 all those various components to assure that they have been
21 included in the specification and any requirements that a
22 particular utility might have for maintenance or other reasons
23 and then the questions are sent back to us asking generally
24 for clarification. In some cases, there may be a point that
25 was missed, so we have that level to put the spec together.

1 That is the specification that essentially is ready to go out
2 to bidders for a request for proposal.

3 MR. VAN BRUNT: How do you resolve those utility
4 comments in house?

5 MR. BINGHAM: They are resolved by letter.

6 MR. VAN BRUNT: I know they come back by letter.

7 MR. BINGHAM: In house, the comments go to the
8 responsible engineer for that particular specification. That
9 responsible engineer's job is to work with the utility,
10 resolve the comments, and then to respond in writing the
11 resolution of the comments. That is basically the step. Is
12 there any question on that part?

13 The next part is how do we determine who should we
14 go to bid with, and there are technical reasons that must be
15 considered. There are schedule reasons. There is performance.
16 For example, many vendors may have their shop overloaded and
17 cannot perform in the time frame that we are interested in.
18 All of those specifications that we have written, we have a
19 document that reflects potential bidders for each of those,
20 which is updated and is reviewed by the utility. That
21 document forms the basis to start the list for approved
22 bidders. Then the current environment is viewed looking at
23 shop loading, looking at whether a vendor is commercially
24 on the brink of bankruptcy, looking at such things as overall
25 ability of a particular supplier to meet the requirements of

1 the particular spec.

2 MR. VAN BRUNT: What do you do about quality assurance?

3 MR. BINGHAM: If it is a Q component, the spec is
4 appended to the requirements of the program essentially
5 asking them to submit documentation and their program with
6 the bids, their QA program, for our review to assure it does
7 meet 10 CFR 50, Appendix B. We in addition for certain specs
8 look at the use of local bidders. This is generally not the
9 case with some of the more complex equipment, but for some
10 of our buildings and other things and tanks, for example, or
11 structural steel, we will look at the benefits of the local
12 bidders as well. Once we have done that, then we submit
13 to the utility our recommendation of the proposed bidders for
14 the particular components. Before we go out to bid, we have
15 in writing from the utility their concurrence or suggested
16 modifications to that bidder's list. That gets us to the
17 point where we are ready to go to bid. Your question I think
18 then picked up at the time when we had selected a particular
19 supplier.

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: Well, even more than that, Bill, you
21 issue the specifications now to this list of selected bidders.

22 MR. BINGHAM: That's correct.

23 MR. VAN BRUNT: What vehicle do you use to ensure
24 yourself that the bidder has understood the specification?
25 A typical area that I know is a difficult area has to do with

1 the equipment qualification. How do we assure ourselves that
2 the vendor understands the specs so that when the bids come
3 in, which is really what I want to get to, that you've got
4 a piece of equipment that meets the specs, or how do you
5 assure yourself of that? How do you communicate to the
6 vendor what you want and then how do you assure yourself that
7 you got what you wanted?

8 MR. BINGHAM: Of course, many of the vendors see a lot
9 of the same specifications. In other words, there is a lot of
10 equipment that is the same. So, depending on a case-by-case
11 basis, we may spend a lot of time getting our requirements
12 across, for example, on purchasing an NSSS or turbine generator.
13 We may spend substantially more time with the individual
14 groups that are going to bid to explain really what our
15 requirements are. But, in any event, generally there are
16 informal meetings even before the request for proposal goes
17 out where the vendors are very interested in what we are
18 doing and we try to explain to them some of our thoughts a
19 little bit about the particular plant and the applications
20 that we have. I think the area where we assure ourselves
21 most is after we have determined the low bidder or the next
22 bidder, we have them in to assure that we have a common
23 understanding. Now, there is some procurement protocol that
24 goes on during that time that we adhere to to assure fairness
25 to all the vendors.

1 On this particular project, we have worked very
2 hard to conform our specifications so that there is at least
3 minimal misunderstanding on the part of the vendors of what
4 is really required at the time that the purchase order is
5 signed. I think that has given us a high degree of assurance
6 that there is understanding or at least that the words are
7 very clear of what the requirements are.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: For the record, when you go through
9 your evaluation of the bids that you have received, what are
10 the kinds of things that you consider before you make a
11 recommendation as to which manufacturer of equipment ought to
12 be selected?

13 MR. BINGHAM: We look at both tangible and intangible
14 items. First of all, we do an analysis of the cost and
15 compare it with the estimate to determine whether the bidders
16 costwise are in the same ballpark. Next we look at intangibles
17 such as performance, that is, meeting our schedules, the
18 dates that we have asked for the equipment. We look at the
19 exceptions that they have taken to the procurement document,
20 and we look in detail both at the commercial and the technical
21 side of the proposal. For example, an individual may be an
22 extremely low bidder and say you are going to take my standard
23 terms, which may have little or not conditions or anything
24 else. So we have these three that we balance. We have a
25 meeting about ten days after the bids are received. Bechtel

1 will then rack up the different vendors, and at that time we
2 will determine whether we can make a preliminary recommenda-
3 tion to the utility or whether more information is required in
4 order to understand the bids that are in. Let's assume that
5 there is sufficient information. We then will do a detailed
6 evaluation of the proposals and we will usually look in more
7 detail at the one or two selected bidders that we see. We
8 send that over to the utility with a recommendation. The
9 utility reviews it, we have a meeting to determine whether the
10 recommendation fits the best interests of the project, and
11 from that point, we will agree mutually how to proceed with
12 consummating the purchase order for that particular piece of
13 equipment.

14 MR. VAN BRUNT: Do you always go to the low bidder?

15 MR. BINGHAM: We don't always go to the low bidder.

16 MR. VAN BRUNT: The other last part of the question
17 I'm interested in is how do you deal with the design criteria.
18 You get feedback. After you have gone to XYZ Manufacturer
19 for a particular piece of equipment, he then submits to you a
20 lot of vendor drawings and other things. How is that particular
21 interface handled and what assurances are provided that there
22 is adequate understanding of that information that goes back
23 and forth?

24 MR. BINGHAM: There are probably three things to
25 consider. The first one, and let me deal with a Q class

1 specification where the vendor has a program as required by
2 the spec to assure himself through his management reviews
3 that input that comes in is properly incorporated into the
4 design and that all their internal manufacturing and design
5 procedures are satisfactory and meet the spec and the has
6 a reporting system to us of any deviation that he takes from
7 the specifications. We, also, on the second part do audit
8 these individuals from time to time to assure that they do
9 what they say they are going to do. That is the second point.

10 The third point is the criteria. Generally, we try
11 to define the interface criteria clearly for a particular
12 vendor, and that information when it comes back in the form
13 of drawings is reviewed by a particular discipline to assure
14 compliance with the overall design. So if a vendor says to
15 us, "I can't meet your specification," he will send in some
16 documentation on an SDDR form and that will be looked at in
17 detail by the home office engineering and either accepted or
18 rejected. Because of the complexities as you get later on the
19 job, there is a separate procedure that has a check-off list,
20 if you will, of all the people that are involved in the
21 decision. It has the responsible engineer, it has his
22 supervisor, the records of the notification to the customer,
23 the records on the cargo in the field if it is a ship short
24 or some other item, and finally the last review of the QA
25 group on the project that everything is in order. That then



1 documents the changes that are required. It also sets up
2 this procedure through checking the right box of the design
3 criteria changes required or FSAR changes required. It is
4 also signed by the nuclear group supervisor to assure that
5 the licensing impacts are included if it is appropriate for
6 that particular component.

7 MR. VAN BRUNT: Really as a bottom line, then my
8 understanding is that that whole procurement process is a
9 process that is covered by procedures, it is a process that
10 has checklists, et cetera, and that when all is said and done,
11 it is audited by Bechtel QA, by APS QA, and as appropriate,
12 and maybe I would ask, whether it has been audited by the
13 regulators themselves? Is that correct?

14 MR. BINGHAM: That is correct and that has happened.

15 MR. VAN BRUNT: You wore me out, Bill. John has some
16 questions.

17 MR. ALLEN: Let's go back to common mode failures
18 for a minute. That is my favorite subject. The room above
19 all the battery rooms, that whole dc system, is the lower
20 cable spreading room; right?

21 MR. BINGHAM: That's correct.

22 MR. ALLEN: And in that lower cable spreading room is a
23 large amount of water supplies for fire protection. Sprinklers.

24 MR. BINGHAM: Yes.

25 MR. ALLEN: I believe we have several penetrations



1 going through the floor up in there going back down into the
2 room. What is to prevent leakage down through there and
3 sufficient leakage to cause excessive flooding and water being
4 poured over the top of all this equipment and knocking it all
5 out?

6 MR. BINGHAM: John, there has been a substantial amount
7 of work as far as our fire protection studies with documents
8 and supplements on these particular areas. There are seals.
9 In that particular instance, I know that the drain system is
10 designed, the deluge system, so that we don't have water
11 building up in that particular area. I don't have the ready
12 references, but there has been quite a bit of documentation
13 on that particular issue.

14 MR. ALLEN: I understand the drains and everything,
15 but my experience has been some of these seals are just foam
16 stuff and actually after several years, there are holes down
17 through it. Do we use multicable transits in that case or do
18 we use foam?

19 MR. TAJADDODI: Between the cable spreading room and
20 the control -- yes, we use transits only in the cable spreading
21 rooms.

22 MR. ALLEN: We are using multicable transits to go
23 between the lower cable spreading room and the battery rooms?

24 MR. TAJADDODI: No, I'm sorry, it is between the
25 floor of the cable spreading room and whatever the rooms are.

1 Yes, the battery rooms, you're right. We are using cable
2 transits.

3 MR. ALLEN: No foam?

4 MR. TAJADDODI: That is the only place we are using
5 them.

6 MR. ALLEN: And the same in the upper?

7 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, for cable spreading rooms only.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: Hold on a minute.

9 MR. BARROW: I think we need that to be verified.

10 I am not sure and I don't have any references, but I believe
11 multicable transits are only used in the floor of the upper
12 cable spreading rooms to protect the control room flooding
13 and I believe that the lower cable spreading room floor only
14 uses foam.

15 MR. TAJADDODI: That's right. What I said was we are
16 using them in the cable spreading room. They are used to
17 protect the cables, the water from coming into the cable
18 spreading room from the control room. In other words, these
19 transits are located between the cable spreading room and the --

20 MR. BARROW: Between the upper cable spreading room
21 and the control room?

22 MR. TAJADDODI: That's right. That is the only place
23 we are using them. We are only using them in the upper
24 cable spreading room between the control room and the --

25 MR. BINGHAM: I think the question, Fred, as I understand



1 it, and we will get an answer for it, is are there any
2 penetrations that go from the floor of the lower cable
3 spreading room into the battery rooms --

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: Which could be subjected to some kind
5 of flooding.

6 MR. BINGHAM: Which could have some flooding occur.
7 I think the answer is no, but we will confirm that for you.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: We would like you to verify that
9 particular situation for us.

10 MR. ALLEN: If it is and you use foam, I think that is
11 a major concern.

12 MR. VAN BRUNT: I think we ought to take a look at that.

13 MR. KRAMER: I have one question. What have we done
14 to assure in our design of the battery rooms that there are
15 no sources of conductors that could either in an earthquake or
16 in normal operation fall on the batteries and cause individual
17 cell shorting.

18 MR. TAJADDODI: We don't have anything in the battery
19 rooms other than the batteries. There is no other equipment
20 that I know of in the battery rooms other than the batteries
21 per se.

22 MR. VAN BRUNT: Is your HVAC duct overhead?

23 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, they are seismically designed --

24 MR. BINGHAM: Well, that is the answer to his question
25 if there is a fault, we either seismically design it or look



1 at the two-over-one concept.

2 MR. VAN BRUNT: I guess I would request that you
3 verify that we don't have some situation we could get into
4 where for some reason this would occur.

5 MR. ALLEN: What type of hydrogen monitoring do we
6 have in the room?

7 MR. TAJADDODI: We don't have any hydrogen monitoring
8 perase, but we've got our ventilation system such that it
9 precludes the possibility of a hydrogen buildup higher than
10 what in our sequence, if there is an explosive situation,
11 is 2%. We have made a calculation showing that if indeed we
12 lose our ventilation system and we have the highest rate of
13 hydrogen evolution, that is, when the batteries are being
14 overcharged, it will take 88 hours for the percentage of
15 hydrogen to build to 2% of the volume, and we have plenty of
16 time for the operator to take remedial action to make sure
17 that we don't exceed that 2%.

18 MR. VAN BRUNT: A couple other questions along that
19 line come to mind. Is this ventilation system running
20 continuously or is there some actuation that turns it on?

21 MR. TAJADDODI: No, the normal ventilation system is
22 there all the time.

23 MR. VAN BRUNT: Is there some indication to the
24 operator that that system is not operating?

25 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, every damper position is

1 annunciated and every HVAC system is annunciated in the
2 control room.

3 MR. VAN BRUNT: In the unlikely event that that system
4 has got redundancy into it, and I assume it's got a redundant
5 power supply to the motors or something or other so that you
6 have for each train some redundancy, and if that is not true,
7 tell me, do you line in any way the walls of that room for
8 any explosion protection?

9 MR. BINGHAM: The answer is no.

10 MR. VAN BRUNT: Did you make some analysis to justify
11 not doing that?

12 MR. BINGHAM: I think what we have said is or at least
13 the approach we have taken is that, since the likelihood of
14 that occurrence is extremely small because of the long
15 duration before you even get to a point where you might want
16 to think about it. The walls, of course, are rather strong
17 and could be looked at for that particular issue, but they
18 have not been at this time and probably would withstand a
19 hydrogen event of some kind.

20 MR. TAJADDODI: Let me amplify on that question a
21 little bit. Even though NRC's requirement is to limit it to
22 2%, the explosive threshold of hydrogen is about 4%, and
23 before that can happen, you've got to have more than 88 hours'
24 duration before it can build up to 4% to be an explosive
25 threshold.



1 MR. VAN BRUNT: Your answer to John's question was there
2 are no hydrogen monitors in that room, so you don't have any
3 indication of the buildup. You have to get to it by indirect
4 methods, annunciation of the fact that your motors aren't
5 running or you've lost your ventilation system.

6 MR. TAJADDODI: I was saying it takes a long time,
7 and there is a lot of time for the operator to realize he
8 has lost the air conditioning or ventilation system.

9 MR. BINGHAM: But, Ed, you're right. If the operator
10 chose to not pay attention to all the various alarms on the
11 system -- there isn't one here that says hey, the hydrogen
12 content is high, but if you were going to assume that, you
13 would assume he wouldn't look at that alarm, also.

14 MR. VAN BRUNT: Let the record show that I asked
15 Mr. Kramer, from the Operating Department, to be sure that
16 the operational procedures deal with this particular
17 situation.

18 MR. KRAMER: One more question. In the ventilation
19 system, do we directly measure the air flow at any particular
20 location?

21 MR. BINGHAM: I don't know.

22 MR. TAJADDODI: I don't think we do. I am not so sure.
23 We can give you an answer, but I am not so sure that we do
24 measure air flow. We are talking about volume, rate of flow,
25 or things like that?

1 MR. VAN BRUNT: Well, if you have flow.

2 MR. TAJADDODI: No, you have the flow, but quantifying
3 the rate of flow, is that what your question is?

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: Do you want the rate or do you want
5 to know whether we have flow or not?

6 MR. KRAMER: Basically whether we have flow or not.

7 MR. TAJADDODI: We have that, yes.

8 MR. BINGHAM: There is a differential pressure measure.

9 MR. TAJADDODI: But we don't quantify the rate of
10 flow.

11 MR. VAN BRUNT: Are there any other questions along
12 this particular line that anybody wants to raise? We kind of
13 got off the subject a little bit, but I think the understanding
14 of the design process and how it is applied to this system
15 will apply as we go on.

16 MR. ROSA: The blowers that move this air through the
17 battery rooms, they are on safety buses, are they not?

18 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, sir. They are Class IE. They
19 are from the Class IE power source.

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: Any other questions?

21 (No response.)

22 MR. VAN BRUNT: How long is your next presentation
23 going to take, Bill?

24 MR. BINGHAM: Well, the presentation won't take too
25 long.

1 MR. TAJADDODI: Most of the questions that have been
2 raised were going to be part of the forthcoming presentation,
3 so there is going to be an overlap.

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: Does anybody on the panel otherwise
5 have any plans say beyond 3:00 or something like that?

6 MR. BINGHAM: Well, I do, but I can -- I've got a
7 1:25, but I can stay until the panel is satisfied.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: I would suggest, knowing how long it
9 takes to eat around here, that possibly we break for lunch
10 and we get back together at 1:00, and I would anticipate,
11 based on your comments, that we ought to finish by 2:00.

12 MR. BINGHAM: Or 3:00.

13 MR. VAN BRUNT: If that is satisfactory for everyone.
14 (Thereupon the meeting was at recess.)

15
16 May 8, 1980
17 1:15 p.m.

18 MR. BINGHAM: We had just finished the FSAR compliance
19 and now we would like to go into the systems description and
20 component description and cover those two and then entertain
21 questions at that time.

22 Fred, if you would, please.

23 MR. TAJADDODI: The system [Figure 10], as we have mentioned
24 before, is very simply four independent dc systems which are
25 comprised of chargers, batteries, control centers and packages.

1 and the standby charger to supply the power to either
2 channel on the group. In addition, we have shown in this slide
3 here [Figure 25] the battery profile as to how we have calculated
4 the battery size. It gives you an indication of the
5 conservatism that is built in the battery itself in sizing
6 them. We've got the one-minute loads, the steady state loads,
7 the random, and the end-of-the-cycle loads that can happen
8 at the end of the battery profile. It gives you an indication
9 of the conservatism that is built in the battery sizing
10 criteria.

11 The components of IE dc systems [Figure 27] are the battery
12 chargers, batteries and racks, and the dc control centers.
13 Those comprise all the components that are in the dc systems
14 plus some instrumentation in the control room.

15 The battery chargers actually are three-phase
16 constant voltage units using solid state circuitry and they
17 are self-supporting, free-standing structures.

18 The batteries are lead calcium types. They've got
19 plastic containers with leak proof seal covers and they are
20 designed to absorb shocks. The battery racks are acid
21 resistant as far as they've got a coating to have acid-
22 resistant characteristics.

23 The dc control centers are free-standing structures.
24 The incoming section houses the electrically operated drawout
25 type circuit breakers, and the other breakers are mainly

1 comprised of manually operated breakers, starters, and
2 distribution panels.

3 A brief description of the equipment data (Figure 28)
4 is that it tells you who the manufacturer of the batteries is
5 and what are the quantities of the batteries and what type of
6 battery it is. It gives you, also, the indication of the
7 capacity of the batteries and the different short circuit
8 ratings of the four different batteries and the internal
9 resistance and other pertinent data.

10 The battery charger likewise gives you the
11 manufacturer, which is the Power Conversion Products,
12 Incorporated. There are four battery chargers with two backup
13 battery chargers for a total of six chargers. The characteris-
14 tics of the chargers is that they are supposed to meet trans-
15 ient voltage of 5,000 volts, the normal charge voltage is 130
16 volts, the equalizing charge set at 140, the maximum floating
17 voltage is supposed to be about 135 with a plus or minus of
18 $\frac{1}{2}\%$ and a 2% ripple. The efficiencies of the chargers are 90%
19 and they operate at approximately 75% power factor.

20 MR. BINGHAM: Are there any questions on the com-
21 ponent descriptions? Before we get into that, I would like to
22 indicate that the System Description was a brief summary
23 of what occurs in the system description volumes for each of
24 the systems. It goes through a description and talks about
25 its normal and abnormal operation and the interfaces with the

1 systems. What you saw here was just a summary and we are
2 prepared to add any additional information the Board might
3 be interested in.

4 MR. BARROW: I just wanted to point out that it is
5 most likely that those two sets of, well, you show them as EC
6 [Figure 28], actually that should have been EN, and I believe those
7 EN's have now become GN's possibly because of Exide's
8 qualifications on them. I just suggest that these might be
9 changing to GN's. They were EN's.

10 MR. TAJADDODI: Because of the manufacturer's problem
11 with qualification.

12 MR. BINGHAM: We will talk about that a little later
13 when we get to qualification.

14 MR. VAN BRUNT: As I understand it, these are the
15 specification requirements that were given to Exide and
16 Power Conversion Product, Inc., to manufacture these batteries
17 and chargers, is that right?

18 MR. BINGHAM: That's correct, yes.

19 MR. VAN BRUNT: What do we do to ensure that this is
20 the battery and charger we got? What kind of a test program
21 or receiving inspection or whatever else do we have that this
22 is what we've got?

23 MR. BINGHAM: Let's start at the point where we have
24 released the manufacturer, the supplier or manufacturer of the
25 equipment. That means that we have received documents that

1 describe the design, we have compared them with our criteria,
2 and have assured ourselves that the information on the paper
3 that the vendor has is accurate. The work goes into fabrica-
4 tion or manufacture. We have programs set up that are
5 implemented by people from our Procurement Department through
6 both the expediting and inspection sides of the house. The
7 engineer when he makes an award indicates formally to our
8 Procurement Department whether inspection is required or not
9 on a particular component. Of course, on all the Q components,
10 we require inspection. Along with that inspection requirement
11 is an inspection plan. The inspection plan is a document
12 drawn up by our Procurement Department, which is routed
13 through the responsible engineer and myself for modification
14 to the particular product. What we will do in there is,
15 in addition to our particular requirements, our standard
16 requirements of looking at configuration, general requirements
17 of the spec, there may be some specific requirements that we
18 might ask. For example, we may ask for witnessing of
19 particular tests to assure that the manufacturer has indeed
20 met those requirements.

21 MR. VAN BRUNT: Is there a specific performance test
22 for the components?

23 MR. BINGHAM: Components, there may or may not be.
24 For these that you are talking about here, I believe the
25 answer is yes. There were performance tests on the batteries

1 and I believe there was a performance test on the charger.

2 Is that right?

3 MR. TAJADDODI: Before the batteries are shipped, they
4 are supposed to have the performance test, and after the
5 shipment, we are going to have the operational test, and after
6 that, we are going to have periodic tests every 18 months, I
7 believe, per the requirements of IEEE 450.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: I presume there is documentation that
9 the tests have been performed.

10 MR. BINGHAM: There is documentation and they are in
11 many cases witnessed by either us or our procurement people.

12 MR. KARNER: On Page PK-A-1 of your system description
13 (Figure 28), you show the ripple as 2% on the dc output of the
14 battery charger. What kind of fluctuation on the 480-volt ac
15 input can you take and still maintain that 2%?

16 MR. TAJADDODI: From what I gather, and I am not sure,
17 it is plus or minus 10%. We will have to verify that. It is
18 plus or minus 10% fluctuation.

19 MR. KARNER: Do you have isolation to the battery
20 charger for switching surges and other peaks that may be on
21 the ac system?

22 MR. TAJADDODI: The chargers are designed, first of all,
23 with blocking diodes to begin with to make sure that there are
24 no surges from the dc into ac. On top of that, they are
25 supposed to meet the surge requirements of 5,000 volts for

1 10 microsecond duration to make sure that there is no break-
2 down of equipment, either the solid state equipment or the
3 wiring and related equipment into the charger. The 5,000
4 volt 10 microsecond test is for NC -- I believe it is C37.9,
5 but we will verify that. The number of that I am not so sure.

6 MR. FREID: I am trying to reconcile these battery
7 profile numbers (Figure 25) with the FSAR (p. 8.3-93), and the
8 numbers that you end up with don't look like the same numbers
9 you have presented.

10 MR. TAJADDODI: These are the latest revision of the
11 calculations that are not reflected probably in the FSAR.

12 MR. FREID: But there are some very, very large
13 differences.

14 MR. TAJADDODI: The differences are on the conservative
15 side, because we have added a lot more.

16 MR. FREID: No, you are absolutely wrong. You are not
17 conservative. In that one case, channel C, the one-minute
18 current is 760 amps and you show 315 amps zero to one minute.

19 MR. TAJADDODI: You are talking about battery C?

20 MR. FREID: Yes.

21 MR. TAJADDODI: Battery C has got two -- we've got
22 two one-minute loads where before we did not have those random
23 loads at the end of the cycle.

24 MR. FREID: Is that the current design?

25 MR. TAJADDODI: That is the current design.



1 MR. FREID: But the FSAR says that we need 760 amps
2 for one minute.

3 MR. TAJADDODI: I can't answer that question as to
4 what the changes have been, but that is the latest design
5 right now and we can verify to see why the changes have been
6 made.

7 MR. FREID: I would appreciate it.

8 MR. KOPCHINSKI: I had understood that there was an
9 FSAR change notice initiated to go with this.

10 MR. TAJADDODI: As I said, the FSAR is not up to date.
11 These are the up-to-date versions.

12 MR. FREID: What is the battery designed for?

13 MR. TAJADDODI: The battery is designed for these
14 loads, this one-minute load in the beginning and this one-
15 minute load in the end and all the cycling loads in between
16 and the steady state loads.

17 MR. KREUTZIGER: I understand from this data sheet,
18 the one-minute rating on that battery, for example, battery
19 C, is 1,210.

20 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, that was stated in our purchase
21 order, but the actual loads that we are going to have are
22 these by our latest calculation. We have refined the data on
23 the loads and we have come up with these loads right now.
24 That sheet that you see was before these revisions were made.

25 MR. KREUTZIGER: I can interpret this to be the actual

1 battery capacity? For example, that the battery with the
2 EC-21 has a nominal 880 ampere hour rating with a 1,210
3 one-minute rating and an eight-hour rating which is a standard
4 industry type of rating, although we don't specify that, of
5 110?

6 MR. TAJADDODI: This is the battery that has been
7 procured. That is the battery that is being procured. In
8 case we come up with any bigger loads than these, we can always
9 revise the requirements for the batteries, because the
10 batteries are not delivered yet. In case that we find out
11 that the batteries are smaller than what we have, we have the
12 ability to change the batteries, but these loads still are
13 within those capabilities of the values that you see in that
14 description.

15 MR. ALLEN: C and D now are GN batteries; right?

16 MR. TAJADDODI: Apparently they will be. They are not
17 right now, but there is a possibility of them being, that's
18 right. That is just what John Barrow was talking about.

19 MR. BARROW: We understood the main reason that A and
20 B's were GN was because of the high loads on them and they
21 made the others EN's because Exide didn't have to supply
22 these large GN cells, and it is our understanding now that
23 because Exide changes to GN's and there is a limit on how
24 small they can make them that actually the C and D batteries
25 are now going to be approximately the same size as the A and



1 B's, is that correct?

2 MR. TAJADDODI: No. The A and B's are the largest
3 that I know of that we are going to procure. The C and D
4 are going to be slightly smaller. I don't know what kind of
5 discussions have been going on as far as quality lately, but
6 the last information I have is that those are going to be
7 actually the sizes of the batteries.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: Faust, you had a question.

9 MR. ROSA: Regardless of what it finally ends up, I
10 assume that 25% oversize plus the 15% contingency will still
11 be in the design?

12 MR. TAJADDODI: The 25% will be there, but that 15%
13 might have eroded by now. That 15% was in the initial design
14 stage. By now, I think we've got something less than 15%.

15 MR. ROSA: But the 25 will be there?

16 MR. TAJADDODI: The 25 will be there irrespective. It
17 will be 25 plus.

18 MR. VAN BRUNT: I think in the context of this
19 conversation, I would like you to verify and then confirm to
20 the panel exactly the status of which batteries we have and
21 assure us that the design is adequate for the service and that
22 all the necessary SAR change notices and everything else are
23 taken care of.

24 MR. BINGHAM: We'll do that.

25 MR. VAN BRUNT: Other questions?



1 MR. ROGERS: Yes. The batteries, the battery chargers,
2 and the dc control centers I take it are all seismically
3 qualified?

4 MR. BINGHAM: Yes.

5 MR. ROGERS: How are they tied to the floor in the
6 rooms that they are in?

7 MR. TAJADDODI: You are talking about a structure
8 itself?

9 MR. ROGERS: Yes.

10 MR. BINGHAM: The batteries are in racks and they are
11 bolted or welded to the floor. The racks are either bolted or
12 welded to embeds in the floor.

13 MR. TAJADDODI: They are bolted.

14 MR. BINGHAM: The chargers I believe are the same.

15 MR. TAJADDODI: They are bolted. They are free standing,
16 but bolted. They are not welded.

17 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, they are bolted down to the floor.

18 MR. ROGERS: Now, this bolting, is this in concrete and
19 cores or how --

20 MR. BINGHAM: Let me think a minute. No, I believe
21 they are on embedded plates in the floor.

22 MR. KREUTZIGER: I noticed that yesterday at the
23 job site, and they are in embedded plates.

24 MR. BINGHAM: I believe that our standard design is
25 embedded plates.



1 MR. ROGERS: In regard to the embedded plates for the
2 battery racks, are those embedded plates made out of a material
3 which won't corrode?

4 MR. BINGHAM: They are not.

5 MR. ROGERS: What assurances will we have that we won't
6 get corrosion then at the wells or on the plates throughout
7 the life of the plant.

8 MR. BINGHAM: There was an earlier question about the
9 coatings on the floor, and I presume you are relating to the
10 battery room.

11 MR. ROGERS: Yes.

12 MR. BINGHAM: Dennis has an answer on the coatings.
13 We can either talk about it now or --

14 MR. ROGERS: Why don't we go ahead and talk about it
15 now since we are actually in that area.

16 MR. BINGHAM: Do you want to go through that issue?

17 MR. KEITH: The coating is an epoxy type of coating
18 which is rated as being good with respect to acid spills and
19 that kind of thing. Obviously, it is not used for lining a
20 bucket and carrying acid, but it is suitable for this type
21 service.

22 MR. ROGERS: For spills of that nature?

23 MR. KEITH: Yes.

24 MR. ROGERS: Is this coating placed over the embeds
25 and boltings? Is that what I understand?

1 MR. KEITH: I would expect it is, Carter. I don't
2 know the details of how the coating is applied or when it
3 is applied.

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: I guess I would ask that you verify
5 exactly what is the detail and whether it is necessary that
6 the bolting that is embedded over the life of the plant needs
7 some corrosion protection or not or whatever.

8 MR. BINGHAM: We'll do that. The criteria are to
9 protect it so that it is sound, and, while Dennis doesn't
10 have the details, we will confirm, but I am quite sure that
11 the coating has been applied to meet that criterion.

12 MR. ROGERS: Bill, as you know, we have gone to great
13 lengths in this job to preclude the use of expansion anchors
14 or at least to control them very carefully, and we don't have
15 expansion anchors to my knowledge in any of the seismic
16 qualified systems. However, I think it would be appropriate
17 to verify that they are not in this, also, because I would be
18 concerned that for sulfuric acid spilling into a concrete
19 floor that there could be some degradation of the concrete and
20 we could get a loosening up of the expansion anchors if there
21 are such inserted.

22 MR. BINGHAM: We'll do that, Carter. Are there any
23 other questions?

24 MR. VAN BRUNT: Anybody else got any other questions
25 on this particular aspect?



1 (No response.)

2 MR. BINGHAM: I think I would like Dennis to follow
3 up on where the acid goes, which was a question that the
4 Board brought up earlier, since we are on that subject now.

5 MR. KEITH: We have four-inch drain lines from each of
6 the battery rooms. They go to a neutralizing sump which is
7 right next to the control building sump and there it is
8 treated and then drained into the control building sump and
9 from there to the oily waters separator and then from there
10 to the retention basin.

11 MR. VAN BRUNT: Is it a pump drain, a gravity drain,
12 or what?

13 MR. KEITH: It is a gravity drain from the rooms down
14 to the neutralizing sump and from the neutralizing sump to
15 the control room sump. From there, it is pumped.

16 MR. VAN BRUNT: If you know, what kind of monitoring is
17 on this at its ultimate discharge?

18 MR. BINGHAM: The purpose of the retention basin is to
19 catch it so that you monitor it there.

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: I see. Okay, I am with you.

21 MR. BINGHAM: So there is no monitoring prior to that.

22 MR. KARNER: There was another open item relating to
23 that and that question was what was the criterion for sizing
24 the drains. You mentioned they are four-inch.

25 MR. KEITH: That is kind of a standard drain size and

1 it needs to be that big just so that you can clean it out,
2 but there is no -- well, as Fred said earlier, we don't
3 expect a lot of water in there. The fire protection, the
4 primary one in that room, is CO₂, so the four-inch is more
5 than adequate for washdown purposes.

6 MR. VAN BRUNT: I think Fred also said that they had
7 a backup water system or hose system that would be used. Is
8 that four-inch drain adequate to carry away the flows from
9 the hose system?

10 MR. KEITH: Yes.

11 MR. BINGHAM: Are there any other questions? I think
12 that was the only supplementary information we wanted to
13 provide. If there are no other questions, we will go on
14 with the presentation.

15 The next subjects we want to cover are Systems
16 Operation and Instrumentation Description, and at that point,
17 we will entertain questions.

18 MR. TAJADDODI: We have very briefly summarized the way
19 the system operates (Figure 26). Actually, the system operates
20 from the chargers dedicated to that particular dc system. If
21 those chargers are not available, we've got a standby battery
22 that can provide power instead of the normal charger.

23 The batteries will supply power if the preferred
24 power is unavailable, and the batteries are sized to carry
25 the loads under accident conditions for two hours. If the



1 power fails, the chargers will supply power. When the ac
2 power is restored, the chargers will supply all the normal
3 loads and they will charge the batteries and carry the
4 normal loads to the dc system.

5 Here [Figure 30] we've got a detailed description
6 of what kind of instrumentation we've got locally in the
7 control room to monitor the status of the dc system. I think
8 we can go on one by one, and they are in your handouts.

9 We have an ammeter at the charger and at the control
10 room to monitor the charger output dc current. We've got a
11 voltmeter at the charger and at the control room for the
12 charger output dc voltage. We have an undervoltage relay
13 both at the charger and in the control room to monitor the ac
14 undervoltage, and we've got another one to monitor the dc
15 undervoltage, both located in the control room. In addition
16 to that, we've got an overvoltage relay at the charger only
17 to monitor the dc overvoltage condition where the operator
18 has got to know if there is an overcharging of the batteries.
19 The position of both the ac and dc breakers at the charger
20 are monitored. If we have an open breaker, there will be an
21 alarm in the control room, and all the conditions of the
22 charger, if there is any malfunction of any nature, it is
23 going to be annunciated in the control room, including all the
24 undervoltage conditions and output breaker open conditions
25 that might happen.

1 For the battery instrumentation, we've got similar
2 monitoring devices both locally and in the control room with
3 appropriate undervoltage relays at the dc panel and in the
4 control room. In addition, we've got a ground detector
5 relay which provides an indication of the ground conditions,
6 but there is no interruption. It is just an alarm in the
7 control room and the operator will take appropriate actions
8 should he see fit to isolate the system or let it run to suit
9 his purposes.

10 MR. BINGHAM: Are there any questions on this
11 information?

12 MR. ROSA: You don't mention a battery high discharge
13 rate alarm. That is being provided on some designs.

14 MR. TAJADDODI: That is covered by our overvoltage
15 relay. High discharge --

16 MR. ROSA: High discharge rate, battery high discharge
17 rate.

18 MR. TAJADDODI: We don't consider that to be a problem
19 for safety as far as if there is a short. If there is a
20 fault condition which is going to cause a rapid discharge of
21 the system, it is going to be indicated in the instruments
22 that are being monitored in the control room. We don't have
23 such a device to have an unusual discharge rate monitoring
24 instrument.

25 MR. ROSA: Normally, the battery is not supplying any



1 current. Any kind of a discharge rate except during accident
2 conditions at the beginning or when there is no ac available
3 at the charger input would be an abnormal condition; right?

4 MR. TAJADDODI: Any current supplied by the battery --

5 MR. ROSA: By the battery during normal operation.

6 MR. TAJADDODI: That will be, yes. I will say it will
7 not be a desired condition. It will not be a desired condition
8 if that happens, yes.

9 MR. ROSA: I think you ought to seriously consider
10 putting one in there.

11 MR. TAJADDODI: A high discharge --

12 MR. ROSA: A battery high discharge rate alarm.

13 MR. TAJADDODI: Is that a requirement of NRC?

14 MR. ROSA: No, we don't have -- well, we have a
15 position that we apply in the course of a review. We haven't
16 gone through the formality of taking it to the Regulatory
17 Requirements Review Committee and revising our Standard
18 Review Plan yet to put it in, but we are emphasizing that it
19 should be in the system.

20 MR. KREUTZIGER: Faust, I heard two things. One, I
21 heard a high discharge indication, alarm, then I also heard
22 the fact that since normal operation is essentially zero,
23 we have it very low. Are you combining both of those?
24 In other words, let's say if the normal operating design
25 basis on one of these batteries is, let's say, three hundred

1 and some amps, would I interpret that requirement to be set
2 something maybe at 50 amps or are you talking about something
3 also in excess of 300 amps?

4 MR. ROSA: No. Really what I am concerned with is the
5 operator knowing that there is something wrong with the
6 system which allows the battery to discharge even a few amps.

7 MR. TAJADDODI: But won't it be that the floating
8 voltage will be below the level that we have set it at? It
9 will be indicated to the operator because the instrument
10 will be reading below 130 volts fully charged if that is the
11 case.

12 MR. ROSA: Yes, that is a possibility.

13 MR. TAJADDODI: So he will be aware of the fact that
14 the battery is discharging, because he cannot maintain the
15 floating voltage if the battery is at 130 volts. We've got
16 those instruments. Anything below 130 will be an abnormal
17 condition for the battery, which will be the case of
18 discharging through the system in your normal conditions.

19 MR. VAN BRUNT: Bill, I guess I would ask that you
20 take a look at the concern that has been raised by Mr. Rosa
21 and get back to the panel as to the disposition of it whether
22 through the alternative that Fred has suggested that it maybe
23 covers his concern adequately or whether some corrective
24 action ought to be taken.

25 MR. BINGHAM: I wanted to make sure that we understood



1 the concern so that we could answer it properly.

2 MR. ROSA: We have been getting this alarm on some
3 designs.

4 MR. TAJADDODI: You have special instruments indicating
5 the rate of discharge through the batteries?

6 MR. ROSA: Right, a discharge rate alarm.

7 MR. TAJADDODI: We will address that.

8 MR. ROSA: I've got another question. On the backup
9 chargers, do they have the same instrumentation that is shown
10 here?

11 MR. TAJADDODI: They are identical as far as instru-
12 mentation. The only difference between the normal charger
13 and the backup charger is the two output breakers were
14 isolated breakers and equipment. As far as instrumentation
15 is concerned, they are identical.

16 MR. ROSA: I want to make a general comment just to
17 advise the people here about what the thinking is with regard
18 to dc systems reliability at the NRC. Maybe you are all
19 familiar with that issue that was raised about three years
20 ago by an ACRS consultant on dc systems reliability, and we
21 put out a new regulation on it at the time. The bottom line
22 of the new regulation was that our analysis indicates that
23 the reliability is adequate. However, the concern is important
24 enough to look deeper and in more detail. As a result of
25 that, we initiated Task Action Plan A-30, DC Systems



1 Reliability. The Power Systems Branch originally initiated
2 that, but then it was turned over to the Office of Research
3 and our final draft report has just been circulated in house
4 and it looks like it is a good piece of work. I commented on
5 it and it appears to me at this time that it is a probabilistic
6 type analysis. It takes the minimum system and calculates
7 probabilistically what the failure probability is for random
8 failure and common mode failures and also takes into considera-
9 tion decay heat removal without any dc or ac, too. The
10 conclusion of that report seems to say that whatever value you
11 take for dc system reliability is going to depend on the
12 effectiveness of the surveillance of the system, which brings
13 us back to this. If there are any new positions to be
14 derived when this report is finally issued, I expect them to
15 be in the area of improved systems monitoring and surveillance.
16 I just put this on the table to make you aware of it. This
17 is worth a good look at right now.

18 MR. TAJADDODI: What particularly in your view is
19 the monitoring emphasizing as far as this new regulation is
20 concerned?

21 MR. ROSA: Well, it doesn't go into design details.
22 It just simply states that there is a large uncertainty in
23 battery probability of failure because the means available
24 for, first of all, performing surveillance on the batteries
25 don't give you an exact answer.

1 MR. TAJADDODI: You mean the relays do not indicate
2 properly the status of the battery?

3 MR. ROSA: Not just the relays. If you look at the
4 system, just the system configuration, all your breaker
5 position indications and all your voltage sensing and current
6 sensing elements should be such as to give the control room
7 a good, thorough picture of the condition of the whole system.
8 In other words, I am glad to see that you have overvoltage
9 and undervoltage at the bus in addition to the charger,
10 because, you know, chargers can be disconnected, and so on.
11 You have breaker position indication, and that's great.
12 Certainly the control room should know what is connected and
13 what isn't. The other aspect of battery surveillance is
14 what is done periodically, the pilot cell specific gravity
15 checks and voltage checks. The people that did this study
16 went back through the license event reports, and there is a
17 large number of them, but quite a few of them, over half I
18 would say, are just simply reports that the specific gravity
19 doesn't meet the textbook number. Now, the question is is
20 that a failure or isn't it a failure, and that is where that
21 uncertainty comes. Obviously, they take the conservative
22 view. If the pilot cell doesn't meet text spec requirements,
23 they'll say well, it's a failure, and then they come up with
24 a probability of failure and you have a number that reflects
25 that conservatism. So anything you can do to demonstrate the



1 effectiveness of battery surveillance either during the
2 periodic checks or by means of the instrumentation you have
3 on the system is going to be a plus.

4 MR. TAJADDODI: Is this just coming out?

5 MR. ROSA: The draft report went back to Research
6 about two or three weeks ago. They got quite a few comments
7 and they are reworking it before putting it out final draft
8 form. I expect it will be published probably before September.

9 MR. BINGHAM: I appreciate your comments, Faust, and,
10 as I understand, the Board will desire to take a look and see
11 how this applies to our system and to look at any subsequent
12 monitoring that may be necessary, is that correct?

13 MR. VAN BRUNT: That's correct.

14 MR. BINGHAM: Are there other questions?

15 MR. VAN BRUNT: Okay, go ahead.

16 MR. BINGHAM: The next subjects are Tests and Inspections.

17 MR. TAJADDODI: In addition to our preoperational
18 tests and acceptance tests that are required to meet the
19 requirements of IEEE 450, we have summarized some of the areas
20 that tests and inspections should be looked into. [Figure 29] For
21 instance, upon what you were talking about, Mr. Rosa, is that
22 we are going to monitor float voltage. We are going to check
23 cells for cracks or any leakage of acid or electrolyte.
24 The plates of cells are checked for buckling, discoloring,
25 grid cracks, and any kind of abnormality. The specific gravity



1 of each cell is going to be measured. Of course, I don't
2 know about the criteria, how much we can deviate from that
3 specific gravity and still maintain the acceptance if
4 that is within that NUREG requirement. Voltage reading of
5 each cell is measured, and electrolyte level of each cell is
6 checked, and if it needs water, it is added. Temperature of
7 the electrolyte in representative cells is also measured.
8 The charger current is measured with the battery in service,
9 and we've got periodic tests, capacity tests of the battery
10 discharge per requirements of IEEE 450.

11 MR. ROSA: One other piece of instrumentation that we
12 consider important that hasn't been mentioned yet is do the
13 chargers have an alarm when they are operating at their
14 current limit level?

15 MR. TAJADDODI: No, there are no overcurrent relays
16 or devices in the control room for overcurrent. We've got
17 overvoltage and undervoltage. We've got breaker open
18 positions signifying no current flowing, but overcurrents, no,
19 we don't have that.

20 MR. ROSA: The charger is current limiting, I presume.

21 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes.

22 MR. ROSA: Normally, you wouldn't expect it to operate
23 at the very top of its current output capability. If it does,
24 there may be something wrong somewhere.

25 MR. TAJADDODI: That's true.

1 MR. ROSA: That is an item that I think should be
2 monitored.

3 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, we think that if there is that
4 condition, we are going to an undervoltage condition to begin
5 with. You are talking about going over.

6 MR. ROSA: If you go over, yes, I would hope to see
7 some detective action.

8 MR. TAJADDODI: That would be a faulted charger, which
9 is going to signify an undervoltage condition. We don't
10 consider that you are going to have an overcurrent and
11 maintain the same voltage at the same time, so if you've got
12 an overcurrent or you are reaching about the level of its
13 capacity as far as current is concerned, it is going to
14 reflect it in the undervoltage condition and undervoltage
15 relay is going to indicate an abnormal condition which is
16 going to be causing more current to flow, so we don't think
17 we need the other one. It will be a complementary device
18 rather than having to indicate a particular abnormality which
19 is not indicated by the undervoltage relay.

20 MR. BINGHAM: Just a moment. What I sense from hearing
21 this discussion is perhaps you are looking for or the Board is
22 considering better operator information or use of these
23 various signals that would come from instrumentation that you
24 have and put it into a form that the operator could really
25 have a better understanding of what the equipment was doing.



1 Is that what I'm hearing?

2 MR. ROSA: That's right.

3 MR. BINGHAM: I think that is an important point for
4 us to consider. While Fred can tell you the reasons or, you
5 know, if you were smart enough to look at this, you would
6 know that that was the case or this can't happen. Perhaps
7 that is not sufficient as we see it today for the operators,
8 so I think we understand the concern and we will be looking at
9 it.

10 MR. ROSA: Here is what I am faced with. I would like
11 to be able to say when we go down to the ACRS after getting
12 this report and developing a more detailed position, I would
13 like to be able to say to them look, this is what we require
14 in the way of detailed instrumentation for monitoring dc
15 systems, and, given this, we are assured that we can detect
16 all the incipient modes of failure so that we can say at
17 any time that all these things are normal, that our battery
18 is reliable. That is what I would like to be able to say to
19 them, and I am going to have to say something like that,
20 because they require completion of this study and the develop-
21 ment of any new positions about every six weeks.

22 MR. BINGHAM: We appreciate the concern and we will
23 take a good look at that and make sure we have addressed it.

24 Shelly I think has a question.

25 MR. FREID: The question I have essentially relates to



1 that. Looking through this, I presume all of this is on each
2 charger. Does the operator know in the case of the swing
3 chargers which charger it is attached to?

4 MR. TAJADDODI: It is going to be attached only to
5 one charger. Due to the administrative controls, he will
6 know which dc distribution system it is attached to. That
7 is part of the requirements of the operator, to know which
8 of these.

9 MR. FREID: Well, it is easy in the A room because
10 the ac swing charger is in the A room and he can see a breaker,
11 but he cannot see the C charger, whether it is open or
12 closed, from that room.

13 MR. TAJADDODI: We are talking about control room
14 position? He knows in the control room.

15 MR. FREID: In the control room, he knows?

16 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes. On every one of those, we've got
17 both local and remote indication of the breaker.

18 MR. FREID: Including the swing bus?

19 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes.

20 MR. KREUTZIGER: Is that a mimic display in the control
21 room?

22 MR. TAJADDODI: I don't exactly recall, but it must
23 be a mimic report. If not, it is indicated by the breaker
24 number of each of these chargers.

25 MR. BINGHAM: I am pretty sure that it is not a mimic.

1 MR. FREID: But he knows which way that charger is
2 going?

3 MR. TAJADDODI: I think your question was something
4 like a mimic. Is that what your question was, Karl?

5 MR. KREUTZIGER: I have not seen the control board,
6 and from a general standpoint, we talk about breaker positions,
7 we talk about undervoltages, et cetera. One way to display
8 that is a mimic display where you can show this bus and you
9 can show that that breaker is connected. The other aspect is
10 just to have a series of breakers in some arrangement, orderly
11 arrangement, to interpret. The question I had is does a dc
12 system status panel, is it at all a mimic display?

13 MR. TAJADDODI: No. Bill answered that question.

14 MR. BINGHAM: It is not.

15 Don, did you have a question?

16 MR. KARNER: Yes, just for some clarification. Fred,
17 in looking through the instrumentation description that is
18 given here, it mentions that there is an ammeter on both the
19 charger and the battery. That is displayed in the control room,
20 is that correct?

21 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, that's right. We would like to
22 know when the charger is off, and when it is operating, we
23 would like to know how many amperes the battery is providing
24 and how many amperes the charger is providing, so there is an
25 ammeter for both of them.

1 MR. KREUTZIGER: Then I have one further point. Maybe
2 Faust Rosa could give some clarification as to whether the
3 staff's concerns are leaning toward alarming those kinds of
4 malfunctions or whether instrumentation of the battery and
5 the charger is the type of thing that you are looking for.

6 MR. ROSA: Well, I've got a list of monitors and alarm
7 indications and alarms that we made up here a while back and
8 I could read that to you. You've got just about everything
9 there except the battery high discharge rate alarm. We have
10 a ground alarm, also, but I believe you have that.

11 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, ground detector relay No. 64 and
12 indication light.

13 MR. ROSA: Which gives an alarm?

14 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes.

15 MR. ROSA: So you've got just about everything except
16 that battery high discharge rate alarm. The battery ammeter,
17 that is a center reading zero, is it?

18 MR. TAJADDODI: As far as how it reads, I cannot be
19 very specific, because I don't know exactly, but it must be.
20 From what I gather or recollect a few years ago, it is a
21 center reading, but I cannot assure you of that right now.
22 We can take a look at it and find out.

23 MR. ROSA: It should be.

24 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, it must be, but I don't know for
25 sure right now.

1 MR. PAUL: As far as surveillance of the battery
2 conditions, I wonder if this mention of a mimic might be
3 worth considering for the operator to see at a glance the
4 condition of a system.

5 MR. BINGHAM: A hard mimic on the board is what you
6 are talking about?

7 MR. PAUL: Instead of random lights or random indica-
8 tions, it would give him a system indication. If this
9 breaker is open and this breaker is open, it might be more
10 meaningful for him.

11 MR. BINGHAM: Ed, the question that Mr. Paul asked was
12 whether we should consider a mimic on the board. Of course,
13 we have that alternative. We also have the CRT display that
14 could be used to provide this same information to the operator.
15 If you desire, we could look at that aspect.

16 MR. VAN BRUNT: I think that we ought to take a look
17 at our particular arrangement, because I gather from what
18 Karl said that possibly by just the arrangement of the board
19 you may have adequately covered this so that the operator
20 wouldn't become confused or anything else. I think we ought
21 to take a look at that just to determine the accuracy of that
22 arrangement, and if we feel that it has some weaknesses, then
23 consider some corrective action, whether it be through
24 mimicing or through CRT or whatever.

25 MR. ROSA: One other comment. If you people are



1 interested in speeding up the review process, a line diagram
2 of the system like you have which indicates also all the
3 instrumentation --

4 MR. TAJADDODI: I was just coming to that. I was going
5 to display that right now.

6 MR. ROSA: -- and breaker positions and everything, the
7 whole business, would be very useful.

8 MR. TAJADDODI: While we are on this subject, I would
9 like to display --

10 MR. BINGHAM: Is this in the handouts?

11 MR. TAJADDODI: These are backup slides. They are not
12 in the handouts.

13 MR. VAN BRUNT: Can you provide copies of these?

14 MR. TAJADDODI: We can provide you copies, but I don't
15 think we can make copies of these slides the way they are
16 today. I don't know whether we can. It is up to Don. If he
17 can do it, we will. But let's go over those concerns a little
18 bit.

19 First of all, to answer Mr. Rosa's instruments, yes,
20 they are center. I don't know whether you can see that from
21 there. Our instrument is zero to 1,500. I don't think you
22 can see that from a distance, but all our ammeters are center
23 position. We've got all those volt meters under voltage
24 relays both at the bus and at the charger and, as you can see,
25 we've got indications going from each of these relays to the

1 control room. We've got both indication and alarm. So all
2 of those are both monitored locally at the bus and in the
3 control room. As you can see, we've got all the details of
4 the voltages and switches that are on the buses and the
5 charger and going to the control room.

6 MR. KREUTZIGER: Another question. The alarm in the
7 control room though is a system malfunction alarm or is that --
8 In looking at that table we had, it appeared that -- the
9 slide you had up earlier -- some of these conditions have a
10 common alarm in the control room.

11 MR. TAJADDODI: No. As we can see here [Figure 30] 27C has a
12 separate alarm and 59 overvoltage has got a separate alarm and
13 undervoltage 27 has got another individual alarm. We don't
14 combine them in here into one system malfunction.

15 MR. KREUTZIGER: On that sheet you had before, you
16 have under relay number 27 at charger to alarm an ac under-
17 voltage input and you have a lot of these others at charger,
18 ac-dc breaker position indication at charger. Then you have
19 charger malfunction alarm in the control room. My question
20 was is this charger malfunction alarm -- Sometimes we group
21 a number of inputs to a malfunction alarm in which then you
22 have to go down to the equipment to see specifically whether
23 it was undervoltage or overvoltage.

24 MR. TAJADDODI: That is anything that can happen
25 abnormally inside the charger and it will be reflected in one



1 of these four instruments, either an undervoltage or
2 overvoltage condition.

3 MR. KREUTZIGER: If I am at the control room, then if
4 there is an overvoltage condition, without looking at the
5 meter -- I can always say that I can look at the voltage
6 meter on the bus, but will I be able to see that there is a
7 charger malfunction, or would I be able to, or would I see a
8 specific alarm window that says overvoltage.

9 MR. TAJADDODI: You will see an overvoltage specifically,
10 because we'd take it from the 59 relay and go directly to
11 the control room and say it is an overvoltage alarm.

12 MR. ROSA: His remarks just now illustrate the
13 problem with the reviewer back there when he sees a list
14 like this and a simplified line diagram that doesn't show these
15 alarms and indications, specifically where they are taken
16 from, and so on. He tries to put all of this together and
17 he finally reaches a conclusion, you know, I think it is
18 adequate, but I am not sure. So what does he do? He sits
19 down and writes a question, which requires that someone in
20 your shop sit down and write an answer, and then we have to
21 review it again.

22 MR. VAN BRUNT: Faust, we have made a note of your
23 comment and we will provide some kind of a simplified drawing
24 that takes care of this situation.

25 MR. ALLEN: Also, Faust, in many cases here, we are



1 going to ask that they come back to the panel and indicate
2 which of these actual specific relays are read out on the
3 computer, because many times you will have a system alarm
4 on your annunciator and then you can go over to the computer,
5 which doesn't show up on here most of the time, and it will
6 say charger number one overcurrent, so that is the type of
7 stuff I think the manager should review, also.

8 MR. BINGHAM: Let me make a comment. I know there are
9 probably some other questions. During our informal meeting
10 with the Board, this issue was discussed and I believe we did
11 realize that there is quite a bit of advantage to know
12 schematically, at least, where all the instruments are and
13 what they look like. What we did at this presentation was to
14 use the design drawings, which are a little more confusing
15 for a reviewer, but it is coming around. We made some copies
16 for you and we do appreciate that particular point and we are
17 going to do something. We just at this time haven't come up
18 with what the best way to handle this particular issue is.

19 MR. KOPCHINSKI: I would like to add, and this may
20 partly help, Faust, in Section 1.7 of the FSAR, there is a list
21 of all of the E&I drawings and I believe we are committed
22 to supply two or three copies of all of those as part of the
23 docket, so drawings like that you will have.

24 MR. ROSA: I guess what I am saying to you is this:
25 If we can get all of the minimum information that we need out

1 of the FSAR without going to detailed engineering drawings --

2 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, we hear.

3 MR. ROSA: -- and schematics, we are way ahead of the
4 game.

5 So the more concisely and completely you can
6 present the information in FSAR drawings, the better off we
7 are, I believe.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: Any other questions?

9 MR. ALLEN: I would like to go back to the slide on
10 testing. (Figure 29) What we have identified here are
11 periodic tests. What I would like to know is which test
12 you will specify in your start-up test guidelines which
13 will be incorporated into the start-up test procedures?

14 MR. TAJADDODI: That will be extracts of principally
15 of what IEEE calls for, which includes the preoperational
16 tests, acceptance tests.

17 MR. ALLEN; Well, I think there is a little bit more
18 to it than 450, isn't there?

19 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, those will be the minimum
20 requirements on top of whatever SRP would like to see, and
21 that will be probably a requirement that you people would
22 like to add to it, but as far as meeting the requirements of
23 NRC is concerned, they will be basically what IEE 450 indicates.

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1 MR. ALLEN: And the Reg. Guides?

2 MR. TAJADDODI: And the Reg. Guides that are complement-
3 ing them, yes.

4 MR. ROSA: As to the technical specifications, the
5 standard specifications that provide the same numbers for
6 voltages and specific gravity that are in IEEE 450, historically
7 every time an applicant comes back with those specifications
8 for his plant, there is always a difference of opinion, they
9 have changed the numbers somewhat to a less conservative
10 number, and we are trying to resolve that in some way. We
11 find that we can't back up any numbers other than what appears
12 in something like IEEE 450, and to do anything less than that
13 puts us in a rather untenable position. So unless an applicant
14 has some strong justification, we are going to go for those
15 numbers.

16 MR. ALLEN: Sometimes the applicant, I am not talking
17 about this particular applicant, would like to see something
18 above and beyond what 450 calls for, which is, I think,
19 admissible.

20 MR. ROSA: That's fine.

21 MR. TAJADDODI: As long as it meets as a minimum the
22 requirements of 450, which definitely we will look into to make
23 sure they are going to meet IEEE 450. I don't think there is
24 anything wrong with meeting something above that.

25 MR. ROSA: No, not above. There is something wrong

1 with meeting it below. We can't very well live with it.

2 MR. TAJADDODI: Oh, definitely. I think as we covered
3 this morning, we said that all the tests have got to meet
4 the requirements of 450 and the appropriate Reg. Guides that
5 are complementing IEEE 450.

6 MR. ROSA: It is my understanding that a working group
7 of NPEC Subcommittee 4, I believe, is working on standard
8 technical specification requirements in this area. I think
9 they had a meeting a couple weeks ago. So something may be
10 coming out of that group that the NRC will pick up on.

11 MR. TAJADDODI: Will that be along the lines of IEEE
12 450 or will it be in a separate vein?

13 MR. ROSA: It will be along the IEEE 450, but it will
14 be specific technical specifications for battery surveillance.

15 MR. KREUTZIGER: We are aware of that. We have a
16 member from Bechtel who is on the committee. There is
17 another committee meeting I think June 15th to work on that
18 area of technical specifications.

19 MR. ROSA: Well, we hope what comes out of that working
20 group will clear up this area of controversy between the NRC
21 and every applicant on our requirements.

22 MR. BINGHAM: Are there any other questions? I saw
23 some other hands. John, did you have a question?

24 MR. BARROW: That list of the alarms again, (Figure 30) the
25 one called charger malfunction alarm and you just list a brief

1 bunch of things it includes, does that also include any kind
2 of indication or alarm of ac injection into the battery from
3 the charger? In other words, an ac pass-through.

4 MR. TAJADDODI: I doubt it, no. I don't think --
5 No, it does not.

6 MR. BARROW: I suggest it to you and I will bring it
7 up when we get to the failure mode and effects analysis.

8 MR. TAJADDODI: The reason why it doesn't is because,
9 as we pointed out, the charger is designed with a lot of
10 isolation diodes, blocking diodes, so there is very little
11 possibility, I cannot quantify that, of ac being injected
12 directly to dc. There is a remote possibility of that
13 happening and we don't have that being monitored.

14 MR. BARROW: Well, when we get into the failure mode
15 and effects analysis of components, I suggest that that ought
16 to be shown under the failure mode.

17 MR. TAJADDODI: We will consider that. We will
18 discuss that when we get there.

19 MR. BINGHAM: Other questions?

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: Anybody got any other questions?

21 Okay, Bill, go ahead.

22 MR. BINGHAM: The next subject is single failure
23 analysis.

24 MR. TAJADDODI: We have drawn the system that we are
25 going to discuss. [Figure 31] The failure mode and effects analysis --



1 actually, the system stops right here (indicating). This
2 (indicating) is the additional system that shows the whole
3 interface. We have numbered all these breakers as to what
4 each of these breakers is going to, what will be the effect
5 of each of those components failing from the charger, batteries,
6 the breakers, the buses, all the way down, and the following
7 chart (Figure 32) gives a descriptive analysis of the failure
8 of each of those items. These items are shown in your
9 left-hand column pertaining to this previous sketch. It
10 shows item number 23, which is a battery, and what will
11 happen to the system if there is a component malfunction.
12 It gives you its normal function, its failure mode, effect on
13 the subsystem, and it should be effect on the "system." If
14 we've got a battery malfunction, there will be loss of standby
15 power to the bus. However, the effect on the total dc system
16 is nonexistent, because the batteries will be providing the
17 source of power to the dc loads and there will be no degrada-
18 tion of the system.

19 If the battery charger fails, the effect on the
20 system also will be zero, because the battery provides power
21 to the bus and the standby charger can be connected to
22 provide the power for extended periods of time.

23 If there is a problem with the battery circuit
24 breaker and its failure mode fails to open, it does not
25 open on fault, there will be loss of standby dc power. The



1 effect on the dc system will be that actually there is no
2 degradation on the system. The battery provides standby
3 power to the bus and the charger provides the dc power.

4 Likewise with the battery charger circuit breaker,
5 normally closed, which provides protection to the charger
6 under fault conditions and supplies power to the dc bus under
7 normal conditions. If it fails to open, there will be loss of
8 power to the bus. However, the effect on the dc system is
9 nonexistent. The battery supplies power to the dc bus through
10 its breaker.

11 The last item that can fail is the dc bus itself,
12 and its failure mode is having a fault on the bus. If that
13 happens, there is power available to the other three redundant
14 channels. That whole channel will be completely lost, but
15 we will still meet the two out of four requirements to
16 maintain the redundancy requirements for the loads and
17 provide power from the other three channels.

18 MR. BINGHAM: Any questions?

19 MR. BARROW: Under the battery charger, if you put in
20 another failure -- you've got one failure mode for battery
21 charger and that fails to provide dc power, if you have
22 another failure mode, which I just mentioned, that provides
23 other than dc power, for instance, provides unfiltered ac
24 or provides some dc with ac components or whatever, couldn't
25 your net effect be that it could cause damage of the battery



1 that it feeds, especially if it is not alarmed? Consequently,
2 couldn't you have a failure effect like on the bottom; in
3 other words, complete loss of the charger and the battery and
4 then power available to the other three redundant channels?

5 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes, it will be similar to this. The
6 only thing we don't know is that we don't know the effect of
7 it. We have asked the manufacturers to tell us what this
8 effect will be. As a matter of fact, last week we had the
9 battery suppliers and we asked them the question. They
10 didn't have the answer to that. But, at worst, it will be
11 similar to this here. You will just lose one channel, period,
12 and you still have the other three channels available to
13 provide you with power. We don't know exactly the nature of
14 interaction of ac and dc on CE equipment, for instance. We
15 don't know how it is going to react. All we know is it is
16 going to take one channel out under worst conditions.

17 MR. BARROW: I suggest that that be shown on the
18 failure mode and effects analysis just so you've got a
19 record that you have considered it and are considering it.

20 MR. TAJADDODI: We will put that in here.

21 MR. BINGHAM: Let's make sure, now. This is in the
22 licensing document, is that correct?

23 MR. TAJADDODI: Yes.

24 MR. BINGHAM: That is where you got that.

25 Ed, you heard the request from the Board member

1 that we modify the SAR to include this particular event.

2 MR. VAN BRUNT: I would suggest that it might be
3 premature to suggest that we modify the SAR, but I would
4 suggest that you ought to take a look at this particular
5 item that John has raised and see whether any current
6 corrective action needs to be taken.

7 MR. BINGHAM: All right.

8 Other questions?

9 MR. ROGERS: A recent event was the failure of a
10 non-IE dc power system in a particular plant that caused
11 loss of most of the instrumentation in the plant and the
12 plant went into a nonsafe condition. This is a IE system.
13 This was a faulty ground that occurred. I am wondering if
14 a faulty ground could in any event cause us to lose instrumen-
15 tation read-out or cause our control system to operate
16 improperly and get us into an unsafe condition.

17 MR. TAJADDODI: You are talking about a ground condition
18 on the bus?

19 MR. ROGERS: It was a non-IE system.

20 MR. TAJADDODI: Let's first of all address the non-IE
21 system. They are completely divorced from our IE. They are
22 not tied to each other, so they are absolutely separate. We
23 don't have our non-Class IE loads connected to the Class IE
24 system. If there is a condition that can cause a fault, we've
25 got a ground fault detector that is going to cause an alarm



1 in the control room. The operator is going to be aware of
2 that condition and he is going to take appropriate measures
3 either to isolate it or make sure that the system is in
4 operating condition or that it was a nuisance alarm, but
5 there is an alarm in the control room and locally to provide
6 the information to the control operator what the status of
7 that thing is.

8 MR. ROGERS: To clarify, a ground fault won't trip
9 on a dc system by itself?

10 MR. TAJADDODI: No, we don't have automatic tripping
11 on a ground fault. It will be left to the option of the
12 operator to take remedial action, either isolate it by opening
13 the appropriate breakers, or if he wants to run the equipment
14 under ground fault conditions, if he deems it appropriate
15 to run the loads under the degraded conditions, it is up to
16 him.

17 MR. ROGERS: Could you explain in a little more
18 detail why you can operate this system with a single ground
19 fault?

20 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, sometimes a ground fault in a
21 dc system does not indicate that necessarily you've got a
22 very severe condition and it is left to the operator's
23 discretion to make that judgment, and we don't want necessarily
24 to disrupt the continuity of service just because you might
25 have nuisance alarms on the system, to isolate the very vital



1 loads on the dc system which can actuate an ESF actuation
2 signal. That is very important. We don't want to shut down
3 the plant just because there is a small and inadvertent
4 nuisance alarm on the dc system.

5 MR. ALLEN: What happens if the operator doesn't do
6 anything?

7 MR. TAJADDODI: If the operator does not take remedial
8 action and there is a severe fault, it can damage the
9 equipment.

10 MR. ALLEN: It won't trip out due to an overcurrent
11 somewhere?

12 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, as I said, the breakers will
13 open under a bolted fault condition, not on the high
14 resistance ground fault condition. If the ground fault will
15 go into a bolted fault, the breakers are going to open, but
16 before that happens, there might be a lot of extensive
17 damage.

18 MR. ROSA: We have one incident of a plant operating
19 with a ground fault on one of their, I think it was an ac
20 system, though, and finally resulting in a spurious operation
21 of I think it was a main cooler.

22 MR. TAJADDODI: You are talking about an ac system?

23 MR. ROSA: Yes, but it resulted from sustained operation
24 with a ground fault in existence that wasn't cleared.

25 MR. TAJADDODI: On our ac systems, the only time you

1 don't open a grounded condition is on the diesel generator
2 under operation. That is the only time we don't open.
3 Every ground fault is automatically isolated on the ac system.

4 MR. BINGHAM: I think we are trying to deal here with
5 the dc side, and if I heard the question properly, it is what
6 are the consequences of not tripping it.

7 MR. ROSA: No, what I am saying is there is a danger
8 to sustained operation with a ground fault indication
9 showing.

10 MR. BINGHAM: Yes.

11 MR. TAJADDODI: We realize that. That is why the
12 operator should take it into consideration.

13 MR. BINGHAM: There is a danger in flipping everything
14 off, too. I guess that is the fine line that we are balancing

15 Is there some action that the Committee wishes done
16 on this particular issue?

17 MR. ROGERS: I have another incident.

18 MR. BINGHAM: Well, maybe the Committee would like to
19 hear the other incident first.

20 MR. ROGERS: This was on a IE dc system, 480 volt
21 grounded system, which is a little different from our system,
22 I understand. This unit was in a shutdown cooling situation
23 and a fault to ground occurred which resulted in the opening
24 of valves, dc motor operated valves, to the sump, which, of
25 course, was empty. As a result, there was air brought into

1 the shutdown cooling system in the plant and they lost all
2 shutdown cooling and they had no shutdown cooling in the
3 plant for a period of two and one-half hours according to a
4 recent account. I don't see that type of thing addressed on
5 the failure mode and effects analysis, but I looked on the
6 chart that you had earlier and it showed that the dc system
7 is used maybe not with the shutdown cooling valves, but it is
8 used with certain auxiliary or emergency feedwater system
9 valves. I am wondering if there is any condition that we
10 could get into with our system, which I gather is ungrounded,
11 which would cause an unsafe condition in either an operating
12 or a shutdown mode of operation which could cause us an
13 unsafe condition.

14 MR. TAJADDODI: First of all, we've got four redundant
15 channels. We don't anticipate that you are going to have the
16 same thing happen simultaneously in all four of them, but
17 given the condition that it will happen and we have a ground
18 fault which is not cleared, we are going to degrade the
19 condition of that particular channel. There is no doubt
20 about that. Its normal condition is annunciated in the
21 control room and your voltage release and current indications
22 are going to tell you that it is an abnormal condition that
23 has got to be remedied. As far as mitigating the consequences
24 of an accident or shutdown, anything of that sort, fortunately
25 we've got redundant channels and you can reroute equipment



1 to bring the plant into a safe shutdown condition with the
2 redundant equipment. That particular channel would be out
3 of service, but the other three are going to be available
4 to function.

5 MR. ROGERS: All right. Let me give you a possibility.
6 Say that we have just initiated a shutdown, so we are not
7 into the shutdown cooling system operation yet. What would
8 happen if we would have a fault on our emergency feedwater
9 system or our auxiliary feedwater system on the IE side while
10 we were using that system for a shutdown?

11 MR. TAJADDODI: We've got two redundant auxiliary
12 feedwater systems. We've got one ac driven and one redundant
13 turbine driven. If there was a problem with the turbine
14 driven -- is that what your postulation is?

15 MR. ROGERS: No, the postulation is the one that is on
16 dc. There is only one on dc.

17 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, hopefully the ac driven, which
18 is Class IE, is going to function.

19 MR. ROGERS: Say the valve closes so it isolates all
20 feedwater into a steam generator, the steam generator goes
21 dry. Could that happen?

22 MR. BINGHAM: I think we are getting into double
23 failures the way you have given the scenario, and I guess if
24 you take double failures, that could happen.

25 MR. ROGERS: I realize this is double failure and I



1 didn't intend to get into double failures.

2 MR. BINGHAM: That is the way I interpreted it. Maybe
3 I didn't hear you quite right, but that is the way I
4 interpreted what you were saying.

5 MR. ROGERS: A fault on a dc system causes a feedwater
6 valve to go closed -- this is a IE system we are talking
7 about -- therefore preventing water from going into one or
8 both, if that is possible, of the steam generators, thereby
9 removing our ability to remove heat from the system during
10 the initiation of shutdown.

11 MR. BINGHAM: As I understand the condition -- let me
12 try my version -- if the plant is just shut down, we are now
13 on the normal auxiliary feedwater pump, which, as you know,
14 is non-IE, but, in any event, it is feeding this, and I
15 presume that you are postulating that that all of a sudden
16 disappears.

17 MR. ROGERS: We are reviewing right now the IE system,
18 not the non-IE.

19 MR. BINGHAM: Well, you see, in normal shutdown,
20 you don't use the IE system, so go fail it if you want.

21 MR. VAN BRUNT: Does that satisfy you?

22 MR. ROGERS: That satisfies me.

23 MR. VAN BRUNT: Any other questions anybody wants to
24 raise?

25 MR. PAUL: If you have a ground on your dc system, can



1 you open all the individual breakers one at a time to
2 isolate it without upsetting the system?

3 MR. TAJADDODI: That is one of the requirements.

4 MR. PAUL: They are all fail-safe, then?

5 MR. TAJADDODI: You should be able to isolate any
6 equipment. That is a requirement of 308 and Reg. Guide 1.6.

7 MR. BINGHAM: Additional questions? We are moving right
8 along. Let's get on to the interface information. [Figure 33]

9 MR. TAJADDODI: Fortunately, we have covered
10 ventilation and fire protection. Our ventilation system
11 provides both the circulation of the air and removal of the
12 hydrogen in the battery rooms and the adjoining rooms and
13 provides for the maintenance of the ambient in the control
14 room. The fire protection system, we've got as a primary
15 source of fire protection the CO₂ system. If the CO₂ system
16 is not available or for some reason it malfunctions, we've
17 got a backup fire protection system, which is the fire
18 sprinkler and manual water hoses.

19 On the ventilation system, I want to emphasize that
20 we have found a major design defect which our task force has
21 identified as far as a single failure is concerned that we
22 did discuss to some length in the beginning, and we are trying
23 to rectify that condition as far as the single phase of it is
24 concerned to make sure that it is not going to degrade the
25 system.

1 The third item that we would like to discuss is
2 the effect of induced transients that might happen in trays
3 and raceways where the dc cables are laid out. Sometimes if
4 these cables are laid out on the higher voltage level, induced
5 transients from the ac can have some impact or effect on the
6 performance or the quality of power in the dc system. We have
7 made an analysis regarding this and have found that under
8 most adverse conditions, the maximum voltage that is induced
9 in the cable is about 2 to 3 volts. One of the reasons that
10 it is so low is because we are using shielded cables and
11 the actual inducement of sparks from other external sources
12 have got minimum impact on the dc system operation.

13 Are there any questions on this chart?

14 MR. FREID: I guess just for the record, fire
15 protection, and I think Denny mentioned this earlier, is
16 strictly train to train and not channel to channel.

17 MR. KEITH: I didn't mention that, but I am not sure.

18 MR. KOPCHINSKI: Well, the battery rooms are
19 channelized.

20 MR. TAJADDODI: You said in general, I believe, that
21 they were on the train basis, but in the battery rooms, at
22 least, we've got the CO₂ system.

23 MR. FREID: But not in the charging rooms?

24 MR. TAJADDODI: No. I don't think that is --

25 MR. FREID: It includes the swing chargers. You bring

1 the channels together.

2 MR. TAJADDODI: Right.

3 MR. FREID: So the design basis is strictly train to
4 train separation for fire.

5 MR. KEITH: I'm sorry, maybe I misunderstood. You are
6 talking about the fire protection --

7 MR. FREID: The fire protection design basis for the
8 dc system is that you protect train A from train B from both
9 being wiped out in a single fire, but not necessarily channel
10 A from channel C or channel B from channel D being wiped out
11 in a fire.

12 MR. KEITH: We are protecting them on a channel basis.
13 What I said, to clarify what I said earlier, we are protecting
14 the batteries on a channel basis, because each one of those
15 is in a separate room which has a three-hour fire wall
16 surrounding each battery, so they are protected on a channel
17 basis. What I said was that if we get into the conduit
18 running to the control room from the various instruments and
19 all that there we probably protect on a train basis from the
20 exposure fire. We are separated per Reg. Guide 1.75 on a
21 channel basis, but not from the exposure fire.

22 MR. FREID: Except that you do cross trains. You cross
23 channels in the battery rooms as well, because you run your
24 C channel across your A battery room to get to your swing
25 charger.

1 MR. TAJADDODI: What Shelly is saying, Dennis, is this.
2 What he is talking about is that we've got a room -- for
3 instance, here (indicating) we've got A and C in one area.

4 MR. FREID: Plus the fact that the cable comes across.

5 MR. KEITH: When you are using the swing charger is the
6 only time that line will be energized, but during that period
7 of time, I think you're right that we wouldn't be separated
8 on a channel basis.

9 MR. TAJADDODI: If the swing charger is operating and
10 there is a fire, then you've got a train wiped out.

11 MR. BINGHAM: Any other questions?

12 MR. BARNOSKI: I have a question on the ventilation
13 system. There is cooling associated with that?

14 MR. TAJADDODI: It is heat and ventilation. I believe
15 it is both.

16 MR. BINGHAM: Heating and cooling.

17 MR. BARNOSKI: Where does the cooling come from?

18 MR. BINGHAM: Well, it is generally in the control
19 building basement.

20 MR. BARNOSKI: This is like a self-contained air,
21 conditioner or are you using --

22 MR. BINGHAM: It uses chilled water.

23 MR. BARNOSKI: A safety grade chilled water system?

24 MR. BINGHAM: Yes. Any other questions? Is that it?

25 MR. VAN BRUNT: Any other questions on that subject?

1 MR. BINGHAM: Our last subject is equipment qualifica-
2 tions and the status (Figure 34). Why don't you go through that and
3 then I think Faust had a question earlier on that and we will
4 hear that again and then respond to that.

5 MR. TAJADDODI: I would like to give you a brief
6 status of the qualifications of the equipment as of today.
7 We have achieved limited qualification for approximately three
8 years on the batteries to meet the requirements of IEEE
9 323, and we are trying to extend that requirement above and
10 beyond those three years. The actual tests are in progress
11 right now. They are supposed to be completed by the end of
12 this year.

13 As far as the chargers are concerned, we have
14 reviewed the test plans as far as meeting IEEE 344 and 323.
15 We've got some comments on them and the comments are being
16 resolved and Environmental Qualification is in progress to
17 meet those reports.

18 The distribution center qualification test plans
19 have also been received and have been commented on. Testing
20 is in progress. The final reports are due by the end of
21 June of this year.

22 The distribution panels, qualification test plans;
23 we've got some comments on those, and the qualification
24 testing is proceeding per 323 and 344. The completion of that
25 equipment is due by mid-1980.



1 Above those, we've got instruments and meters in
2 the control room that have got to meet the requirements of
3 IEEE 323. They are also in progress and the completion date
4 is about the end of this year.

5 MR. ROSA: When you say qualifications in accordance
6 with 323-'74, that includes aging; right?

7 MR. BINGHAM: That's correct.

8 MR. ROSA: And this aging accelerates the aging
9 performed prior to the seismic test downs?

10 MR. BINGHAM: Certainly in the proper sequence.

11 MR. ROSA: In plants that are in final stages of
12 licensing right now near term OL's, we are applying a
13 license condition with regard to qualifying seismically the
14 batteries with aging being performed prior to qualification
15 because of the plate embrittlement concern that has been
16 identified, so you are all aware of that.

17 MR. KREUTZIGER: Is that in addition for plants that
18 have IEEE 323?

19 MR. ROSA: Yes.

20 MR. TAJADDODI: Is that in addition to IEEE 535
21 requirements?

22 MR. ROSA: No. If they qualified in accordance with
23 IEEE 535, they have already met the requirements. What the
24 licensing condition says is that there is no assurance that
25 the seismic qualification is valid for more than ten years if

1 you haven't aged prior to seismic qualification, so the
2 licensing condition says that if your batteries are now ten
3 years old and you didn't consider aging before, you've got
4 to extend the qualifications somehow or replace the battery.

5 MR. BINGHAM: Are there any other questions or
6 comments on equipment qualifications?

7 MR. BARROW: In light of Faust's observation, you
8 might just want to mention for the record what our goals are
9 in terms of battery qualification on the project in terms
10 of qualified life.

11 MR. BINGHAM: Well, we did try to touch on that in the
12 beginning. We said we are looking to get extended life.
13 Whether we can get the 40-year plant life or not is probably
14 a question at hand, but we are looking to do that. As a
15 matter of fact, throughout all that equipment, we are looking
16 to obtain the longest qualified life possible. That is our
17 goal. If we can do that within the constraints of Licensing
18 Unit 1, we will certainly do that.

19 MR. KARNER: Is your qualification program for the
a 20 dc system now in accordance with NUREG-0588?

21 MR. BINGHAM: I believe so, Don. There may be one
22 or two exceptions, but the intent is to be in accordance with
23 NUREG-0588 for this plant that is committed to the 1974
24 version of 323.

25 MR. VAN BRUNT: Are there any other questions in this

1 area?

2 MR. ALLEN: One question that is related to equipment
3 qualification. You mentioned it briefly at the beginning of
4 the day. How are we assured now that the battery chargers,
5 for example, don't exceed their qualification temperatures?
6 In other words, we specify somewhere when we come up with
7 our qualification profile that the qualification temperature
8 is going to be 120 degrees, let's say. How do we ensure that
9 we don't exceed that 120 degrees?

10 MR. BINGHAM: We are currently developing envelopes.
11 You can't just take the temperature, but you've got to take
12 the whole envelope. You've got to take the low temperature
13 and high temperature at the wet bulb and everything. Those
14 are compared with the documentation that comes from the
15 particular vendor. If that information isn't available, it
16 should be requested from the vendor or it should have been
17 part of the plan originally. As you probably know, or
18 maybe the Board doesn't know, equipment qualification is a
19 very difficult area right now to get the proper information
20 to have that assurance, so there are several different efforts
21 going on not only on Palo Verde, but other jobs to come up
22 with the information to assure that we are getting equipment
23 that meets the criteria.

24 MR. ALLEN: Well, what I meant, Bill, was after the
25 equipment is in the plant, what I am talking about is the

1 environmental conditions present in the plant after we are
2 operating, for example.

3 MR. BINGHAM: The issue is would we have monitors in
4 various compartments in order to have good assurance that
5 everything is okay? We are looking at that at the present
6 time. Presently, we don't have temperature monitors throughout
7 everyplace in the plant. What we have done is assume that
8 there are conditions of HVAC being out and that is giving you
9 maximum temperatures. Those, of course, will be confirmed
10 during the preoperational testing period or, if it is a hot
11 time in the year, at some time subsequent to assure that even
12 if the stuff was out, you don't exceed the design temperatures
13 that you have. That is a technique that is being used in lieu
14 of monitoring in each, and when I talk about monitoring, I am
15 talking about read-out in the control room or alarms, that
16 sort of thing. If a utility or if we see some uncertainties,
17 we can certainly have local temperature recorders just to see
18 what is happening and get the trend of what is going on. I'm
19 sorry, I misunderstood your original question.

20 MR. VAN BRUNT: Are there any other questions?

21 MR. BINGHAM: Ed, that completes our presentation on
22 the system.

23 MR. VAN BRUNT: I suggest that we take a five-minute
24 break and then we will come back and finish up our discussion.

25 MR. BINGHAM: Does the Board want to meet privately?

1 MR. VAN BRUNT: We will do that in the break.

2 (Thereupon a brief recess was taken, after which
3 proceedings were resumed as follows:)

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: Bill, I have one more question I
5 wanted to ask you. This morning we talked at some length
6 about separation in the control building and auxiliary
7 building and this kind of thing between mechanical components
8 and electrical components of like trains and differing trains.
9 In passing, you mentioned that that separation does not apply
10 within the containment building.

11 MR. BINGHAM: The compartmentalization?

12 MR. VAN BRUNT: Physical compartmentalization does not.

13 MR. BINGHAM: That's right.

14 MR. VAN BRUNT: What kind of separation criteria is
15 being used to deal with the electrical separation between
16 trains and between channels within trains and between the
17 mechanical and electrical stuff of differing trains within
18 the containment building where you don't have compartmentaliza-
19 tion?

20 MR. BINGHAM: Generally, distance and barriers are
21 what are used in the containment. What I mean by that is that
22 one train of instrumentation will go to one steam generator,
23 the other train will go to the other, and they will come in
24 at separate points through separate penetrations separated
25 maybe by half the circumference of the containment. The

1 difference in the containment is that we do have to take a
2 look at specific cases where distance or barriers are not
3 available. Give me a moment here.

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: Okay, we will go off the record for a
5 minute.

6 (Thereupon a brief off-the-record discussion ensued,
7 after which proceedings were resumed as follows:)

8 MR. BINGHAM: The criteria are the same, and I wanted
9 to make sure that you understand that the method of attacking
10 the problem is different. Outside the containment, we have
11 done it by compartmentalizing of the thing. Inside the
12 containment, we don't have that capability to compartmentalize
13 everything, because, as you know, everything inside the
14 containment is open for iodine removal capability and other
15 issues. The criteria are the same. We do try to keep that
16 criteria as far as putting things in conduit having the
17 proper separation, reviewing the pipe breaks, impingement
18 effects on conduit, trays, and we have an extensive documenta-
19 tion system of calculations that are a result of that review.

20 MR. KREUTZIGER: Is it not correct that in the
21 containment, you have modeled all conduits in the containment?

22 MR. BINGHAM: That is correct.

23 MR. KREUTZIGER: So in the containment, because of
24 this less compartmentalization, you actually are modeling
25 all the raceways, including the conduit that is inside the

1 containment.

2 MR. BINGHAM: And the instrumentation, that's right.

3 MR. KREUTZIGER: And all the instrumentation.

4 MR. VAN BRUNT: Does anybody else on the panel have
5 any other questions that they would like to raise at this
6 point in time?

7 (No response.)

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: What I would like to do now is ask
9 Don Karner, who has been keeping track of the open items, to
10 recapitulate those to be sure that we have all the items
11 listed and we have an understanding of what the items are.

12 MR. KARNER: The first item was the request that
13 Bechtel provide additional information on the drainage for
14 the battery room. That information was provided later on
15 in the presentation, so that item is closed out.

16 The second item is that Bechtel provide information
17 on monitoring of the door between charger rooms C and D.

18 The third item, that Bechtel provide information
19 discussing the failure of the damper in the single duct leading
20 from the battery rooms.

21 The fourth item was for Bechtel to provide additional
22 discussion on the use of an air circuit breaker between the
23 batteries and the dc bus. This discussion should include the
24 mention of the circuit breaker being replaced by a disconnect,
25 discussion of whether this would provide easier maintenance,

1 and a discussion of how false trips of the ACB are
2 prevented.

3 MR. BINGHAM: Excuse me, may I have a clarification
4 on that particular item? In our notes, it appeared that a
5 simple fault tree analysis was what might be required for the
6 response to the third part of that particular request.

7 MR. ALLEN: Well, one thing on that, I think on the
8 third part of that there was some discussion on these false
9 trips may be common mode.

10 MR. BINGHAM: Yes.

11 MR. ALLEN: For example, if they weren't set properly
12 and you had an in rush on an accident load or something like
13 that, if it was a common mode, you would trip them all off
14 and leave yourself without dc, and that should be considered.
15 Additionally, one other thing should be added on there.
16 Bechtel was to determine what they are doing on other projects
17 related to these items.

18 MR. VAN BRUNT: Does that clarify it for you, Bill?

19 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, I think so.

20 MR. KARNER: The fifth item was that Bechtel would
21 discuss with the Palo Verde charger manufacturer any failures
22 of their equipment that had been experienced and discuss how
23 like failures will be prevented on Palo Verde.

24 The sixth item was that Bechtel would examine the
25 dc power system's capability to withstand multiple failures;

1 that is, to go beyond the existing regulatory requirements.

2 MR. BINGHAM: I think we will have to work with the
3 panel to make sure that we have the bounds as to just how
4 far we go with multiple failures. Again, this gets back to
5 the fault tree analysis I was talking about whether they
6 should go beyond a certain point or a probabilistic look at
7 it if there is no gain or benefit.

8 MR. VAN BRUNT: I think the intention of that question
9 was tied into some of the discussion relative to whether the
10 regulations were minimum requirements or whatever and, as I
11 remember, I asked that question, and what I was interested in
12 was pushing the system beyond the design basis to see how far
13 it would go.

14 MR. BINGHAM: Yes, and the issue that I was focusing
15 in on, Ed, is what is the acceptance criteria. In other
16 words, if you want to know how far it can go, how far can it
17 go compared to what?

18 MR. VAN BRUNT: How far beyond the design basis it can
19 go.

20 MR. ALLEN: Also along the same lines as multiple
21 failures again as it applied to common mode type failures. I
22 think that is where more of the emphasis was.

23 MR. BINGHAM: That's right. We are talking about
24 operator error, and there can be a combination of common
25 mode operator error, two failures, or any combination of all

1 of those might have the same outcome of unavailability, for
2 example. That is why I was setting the criteria. Perhaps
3 we could take the probability of performance for the base
4 system and then run the scenarios and compare them.

5 MR. VAN BRUNT: That is what I was trying to get at.

6 MR. BINGHAM: We can handle that.

7 MR. KARNER: The seventh item was to verify that there
8 are no adverse interactions between acid spills in the
9 battery room and the floor coatings. That item was also
10 discussed further later on in the presentation. However,
11 there was a supplementary item that was requested that Bechtel
12 investigate that the battery rack embeds and mounting wells
13 are protected from acid spills.

14 The eighth item was a request that Bechtel investi-
15 gate how the battery rooms are protected from flooding by
16 fire protection water sprays in the lower cable spreading
17 room.

18 The ninth item was for Bechtel to verify that all
19 equipment in the battery rooms is Seismic Category I or, if
20 it is not Seismic Category I, it cannot cause damage to the
21 batteries during or after a seismic event.

22 Item number ten was for Bechtel to verify the
23 allowable fluctuations in the ac power source to the battery
24 chargers.

25 MR. BINGHAM: Can we stop at the tenth item just a



1 moment? Would you repeat that item again?

2 MR. KARNER: That item dealt with a determination of
3 how much fluctuation was allowable in the ac power source in
4 order to meet the plus or minus 2% allowable fluctuation in
5 the dc.

6 The eleventh item was for Bechtel to explain the
7 differences which exist between the Palo Verde FSAR battery
8 loading tables and the loading tables shown in the system
9 description.

10 MR. TAJADDODI: Well, let me put it this way. That is
11 not a system we attached. It is not part of the system
12 description the way it is right now. This was only for
13 presentation purposes.

14 MR. BINGHAM: It is the present design.

15 MR. TAJADDODI: It is the present design. It is not
16 part of the system description.

17 MR. BINGHAM: That is what we have in our notes, to
18 compare the present design of the FSAR and advise you of what
19 we should be doing.

20 MR. KARNER: You have then verified that the presenta-
21 tion is the present design?

22 MR. BINGHAM: Yes.

23 MR. KARNER: The twelfth item was to verify that the
24 presentation reflected the current battery capacities.

25 The thirteenth item was to investigate the use of

1 a battery high discharge alarm and charger overcurrent alarm.

2 The fourteenth item was to verify that the battery
3 ammeter is center reading zero.

4 MR. TAJADDODI: We did verify that.

5 MR. BINGHAM: We did verify that from the drawing that
6 was part of the presentation.

7 MR. KARNER: Then that item can be closed out.

8 The fifteenth item was for Bechtel to examine the
9 control board layout for the dc power system to determine if
10 the operator interface could be improved.

11 The sixteenth item was for PVNGS operations to
12 verify that their procedures will require monitoring of
13 battery air flow or battery room air flow.

14 The seventeenth item was to determine if the failure
15 mode and effects analysis presented should include failures
16 that would introduce ac power components into the dc system.

17 That completes the list of outstanding issues.

18 MR. ALLEN: I would like to add one more thing on
19 item number eight, and that is to verify that we can't have
20 any flooding in the corridors where the water could come into
21 the battery rooms or charger rooms and cause any problems.
22 In other words, do we have sills on the doors or are the
23 floors sloped down or necessary drains are there to prevent
24 the water in the corridor from coming on and going into the
25 rooms.

1 MR. ROGERS: Don, a clarification on number seven.
2 In addition to what you had on the notes, we requested
3 Bechtel to specifically tell us if there were any cinch
4 anchors or concrete expansion joints used with regard to the
5 batteries.

6 MR. BINGHAM: We also have one other on our list,
7 which was to consider the schematic information presented in
8 the FSAR to speed up evaluation processes.

9 MR. VAN BRUNT: That's correct. That should be in, yes.
10 Does anybody have any further questions? Do any
11 of the panel members want to make any comments? Are you
12 satisfied with the review? From my own viewpoint, I think it
13 was a very useful discussion.

14 John has a comment he wants to make.

15 MR. ALLEN: One more concern. Faust had asked us to
16 make sure that we keep in the back of our minds the reasoning
17 for having this extra instrumentation and everything as it
18 relates to the task item A-30, so we want to make sure that
19 we keep that in the back of our head while we are looking this
20 stuff over.

21 MR.. VAN BRUNT: Does anyone want to make any comments?
22 Faust, would you from your viewpoint like to make any comments?

23 MR. ROSA: I just wanted to reiterate what you just
24 said. I think it has been very useful. I think that the
25 more of this type of meeting, the quicker we are likely to

1 arrive at a process of regulatory review that is as efficient
2 as we would like to have it. The NRC as well as the applicants,
3 I am sure, are aiming in that direction. I don't know
4 exactly what this particular meeting will lead to as far as
5 review procedures are concerned. This is the first of its
6 kind and the attempt is being made, I guess everyone should
7 realize that, and the attempt is being made to speed up the
8 review process without sacrificing any safety considerations.
9 Let's all go back to our respective workshops and come back
10 with any suggestions that are likely to lead to that result.
11 Feel free to communicate with us, any of you, on this with
12 any ideas that you have and we will be glad to consider all
13 of them.

14 MR. VAN BRUNT: Very good.

15 MR. ROSA: Thank you very much.

16 MR. VAN BRUNT: Our intentions from this point on are
17 that as soon as we get the transcript back, we will review
18 it for accuracy. Then we are going to send a copy to the
19 Nuclear Regulatory Commission with some appropriate comments,
20 and it would be my intention that I will then ask for a
21 specific meeting where we can discuss the procedure that we
22 have used here and determine what improvements we can make to
23 make it useful from both of our viewpoints to speed up the
24 process, as has been indicated.

25 Anybody have any further comments they would like

1 to make? If not, I want to thank you all for your
2 participation. Again, I feel that it has been very useful,
3 a very educational way to transfer information and get some
4 questions and concerns answered and look forward to doing the
5 next one.

6 MR. BINGHAM: We have several open issues that the
7 Board wants a response on. Are you to the point on how you
8 would like that response for the Board?

9 MR. VAN BRUNT: Bill, I think there are two ways we
10 can handle that, and I am not going to push either way right
11 this minute. I think one way is we can handle those as
12 written questions. You will get a copy of the transcript and
13 we can handle that as a written question, in essence. The
14 other way would be the next time we have a meeting, we can
15 handle it as an individual item. If, for example, the next
16 review we do is, say, the electrical system, ac electrical
17 system, you probably will have the same people here, so we
18 could clean up those items. If we go into the mechanical
19 system, then maybe that is not a proper way to do it. I won't
20 anticipate. I think the easiest way possible would be to
21 consider the record as a written question and you can respond
22 in writing.

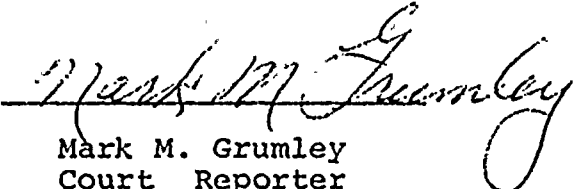
23 MR. BINGHAM: Fine. We will respond to that.

24 MR. VAN BRUNT: Thank you very much.

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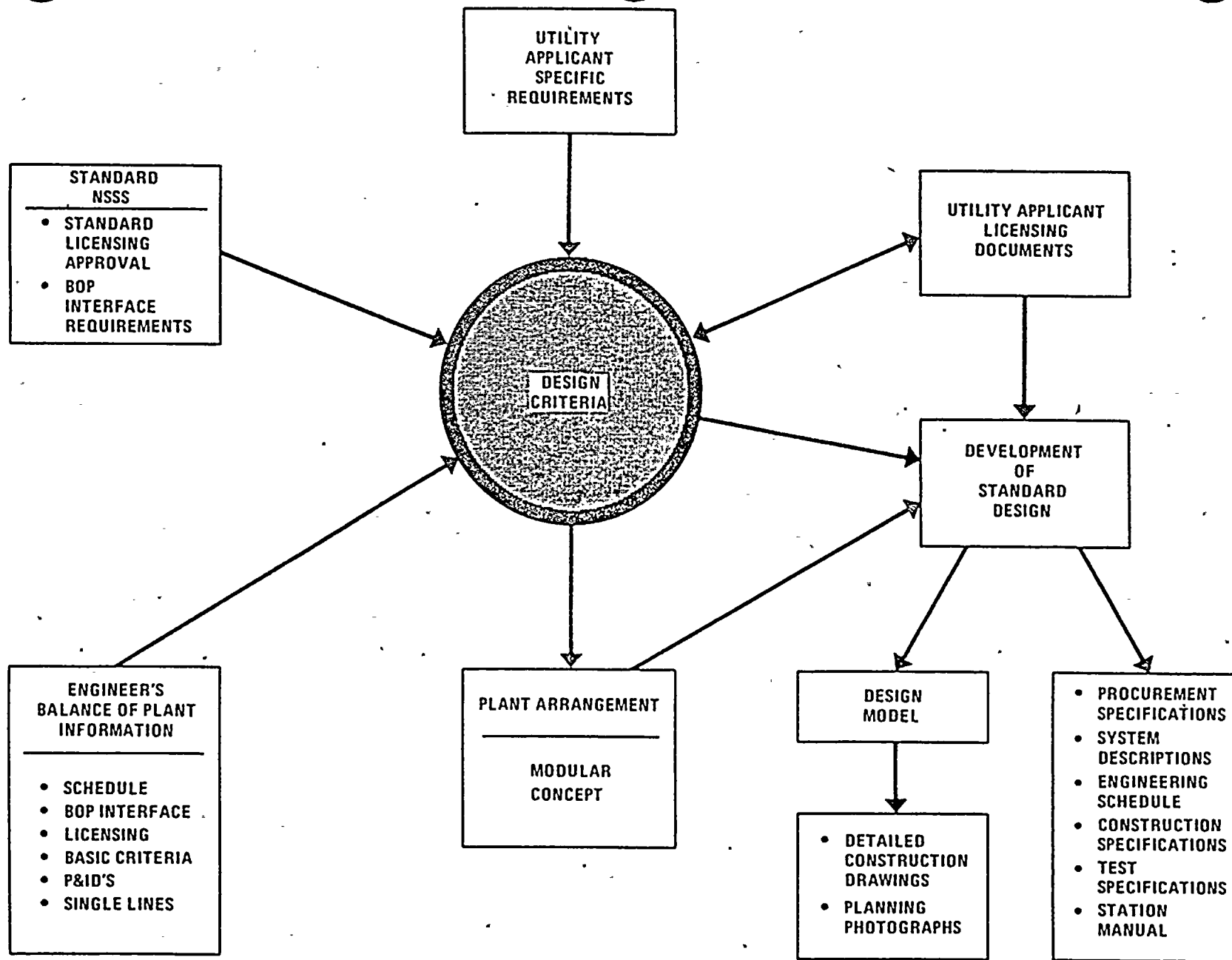
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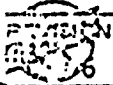
DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARD DESIGN

FIGURE 1

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SYSTEM DESIGNATION PK - TITLE CLASS IE 125-V DC POWER SYSTEM

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QUALITY CLASS Q

SAFETY CLASS NA

SEISMIC CATEGORY I

NRC REGULATORY GUIDE 1.6, 1.22, 1.29, 1.32, 1.41, 1.47, 1.53

NRC GENERAL DESIGN CRITERIA 17, 18

REFERENCES: 8.3.2

FSAR SECTION 8.3.2

P & I DRAWINGS NA

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FIGURE 3



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1. CLASS IE 125-V DC POWER SYSTEM

1.1 PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The Class IE 125-V dc power system provides four separate reliable sources of continuous power for the four independent groups of Class IE, dc loads.

1.2 CODES AND STANDARDS

- A. Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 308, Standard Criteria for Class IE Power Systems for Nuclear Power Generating Stations; Standard 323, General Guide for Qualifying Class IE Electric Equipment for Nuclear Power Generating Stations; Standard 344, Seismic Qualification of Class IE Electric Equipment for Nuclear Power Generating Stations; Standard 384, Criteria for Separation of Class IE Equipment and Circuits; Standard 450, Maintenance, Testing, and Replacement of Large Stationary Type Power Plant and Substation Lead Storage Batteries; Standard 485, Recommended Practice for Sizing Large Lead Storage Batteries for Generating Stations and Substations. 1
6
- B. National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA), Standard AB-1, Molded Case Circuit Breakers; Standard PBl, Panelboards; Standard SG-5-71 Power Switchgear Assemblies. 1

1.3 DESIGN CRITERIA

- A. Each unit's Class IE 125-V dc power system shall be designed in accordance with IEEE Standard 308 and shall be divided into four independent redundant systems. Each of the four systems shall be capable of distributing power to one of four channels (A, B, C and D) of plant protection and engineered safety features (ESF) equipment. IEEE 308
RG 1.6
GDC 17
- B. Physical independence of the redundant Class IE 125-V dc power systems shall be maintained in accordance with NRC Regulatory Guide 1.75 and IEEE Standard 384, except that reference made in Regulatory Guide 1.75 to "associated circuits" shall be taken to apply to associated cables. Non-class IE loads connected to Class IE dc systems shall be treated as Class IE devices up to and including the isolation device. 6
- C. Each source shall have the following:
 - 1. One full capacity battery charger to supply power under normal conditions, and one full capacity backup battery charger to supply power to either channel of each load group. The backup battery chargers shall be connected to either channel (A or C

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of group 1 and B or D of group 2). A manual selector switch provided in the backup battery charger shall be the only means of transferring from one channel to another.

2. A battery to supply power for two hours following loss of ac supply to the battery chargers.
 3. A panel to distribute the power to the individual loads.
- D. The battery chargers for the four channels (A, B, C and D) shall be fed from MCCs in the two load groups as follows:
- Channel A: MCC fed from one load center in Load Group 1
Channel C: MCC fed from the second load center in Load Group 1
Channel B: MCC fed from one load center in Load Group 2
Channel D: MCC fed from the second load center in Load Group 2
- E. There shall be no interconnections among the four Class IE 125-V dc buses within each unit. The standby battery charger cannot be connected to two dc buses simultaneously due to breaker interlocks. Separation between the output breakers meets requirements of Regulatory Guide 1.75. IEEE 302 (R.G. 1.6)
- F. There shall be no interconnections among the 125-V dc buses of Units 1, 2 and 3. (R.G. 1.81)
- G. The 125-V dc systems shall be designed for normal operation at approximately 130 volts. The voltage at the end of the two-hour discharge period shall be at least 105 volts. The steady state voltage shall not exceed 140 volts.
- H. Each Class IE battery shall have sufficient capacity to independently supply the required loads for 2 hours. The sizing of the batteries shall be based upon electrolyte temperature of 60F. In accordance with IEEE Standard 450, initial battery capacity shall be 25 percent greater than required. This margin allows a battery replacement criterion of 80-percent rated capacity. Additional margin shall be provided for possible load growth in accordance with IEEE-485. HVAC interface
- I. The capacity of each Class IE battery charger shall be based on the largest combined demand of all the steady state loads and the charging current required to restore the battery from the design minimum charge state to the fully charged state (within 12 hours); irrespective of the status of the plant while these demands occur. (R.G. 1.32)
- J. The dc systems shall be ungrounded.
- K. Receptacles and switches shall not be located within the battery rooms.



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- L. Lighting fixtures in the battery rooms shall be vaportight. | 3
- M. Redundant Class IE batteries shall be placed in separate rooms within the control building. (R.G. 1.75) | 3
- N. The battery chargers and dc distribution panel of redundant channels shall be placed in separate rooms within the control building. (R.G. 1.75) | 3
- O. The Class IE batteries, racks, battery chargers, and dc panels shall be capable of withstanding the safe shutdown earthquake without loss of function. (R.G. 1.75, 1.29) (IEEE 344) | 3
- P. Control room instrumentation shall be provided to monitor the status of each Class IE dc system as follows: | 3
- DC bus undervoltage alarm (R.G. 1.41)
 - Battery current indication (also at dc panel)
 - DC voltage indication (also at dc panel and at charger) (R.G. 1.41)
 - DC ground indication (also at dc panel)
 - Battery circuit continuity alarm monitor
 - Charger malfunction alarm, including input ac under voltage, dc undervoltage, dc overvoltage, and output breaker open. (R.G. 1.41) | 1
 - Charger output current (also at charger)
 - AC and dc breaker position indications (at the charger) (R.G. 1.41) | 1
- Q. The loads supplied by the Class IE batteries shall be as follows: | 3
- DC system A
 - Diesel generator 1 control and field flash
 - Miscellaneous loads associated with load group 1 and channel A | 5
 - Class IE switchgear dc supplies of load group 1
 - Inverter A
 - Reactor trip switchgear, channel A
 - Deleted | 4
 - Deleted | 5
 - Motor operated valves



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- DC system B
 - Diesel generator 2 control and field flash
 - Miscellaneous loads associated with load group 2 and channel B
 - Class IE switchgear dc supplies of load group 2
 - Inverter B
 - Reactor trip switchgear, channel B
 - Deleted
 - Deleted
- DC system C
 - Inverter C
 - Three-phase inverter for shutdown cooling isolation valve
 - Reactor trip switchgear, channel C
 - Motor-operated valves
 - Miscellaneous loads associated with channel C
- DC system D
 - Inverter D
 - Three-phase inverter for shutdown cooling isolation valve
 - Reactor trip switchgear, channel D
 - Motor-operated valves
 - Miscellaneous loads associated with channel D

R. The NSSS 125-V dc load sizes given in References 1 and 2, shall be used in sizing the class IE batteries.



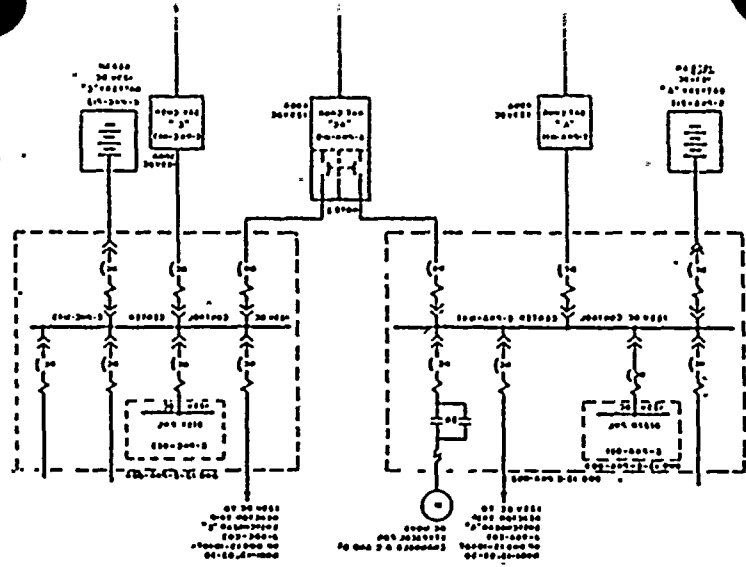
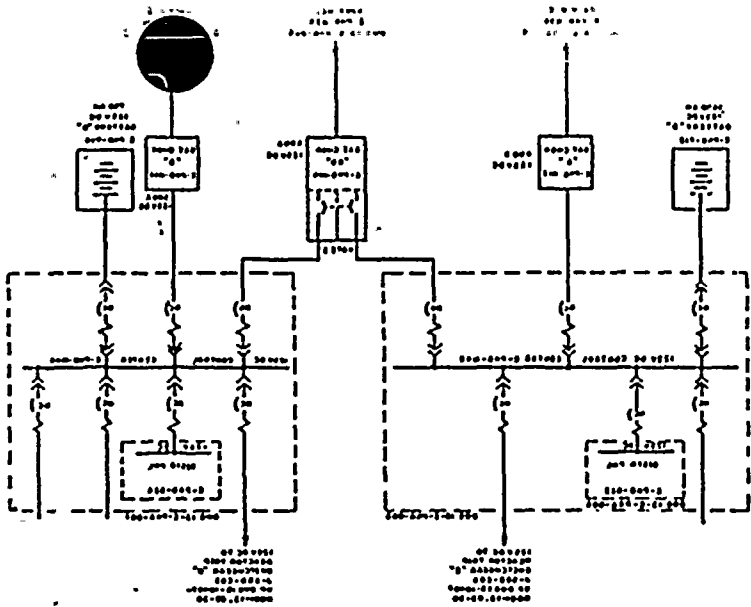


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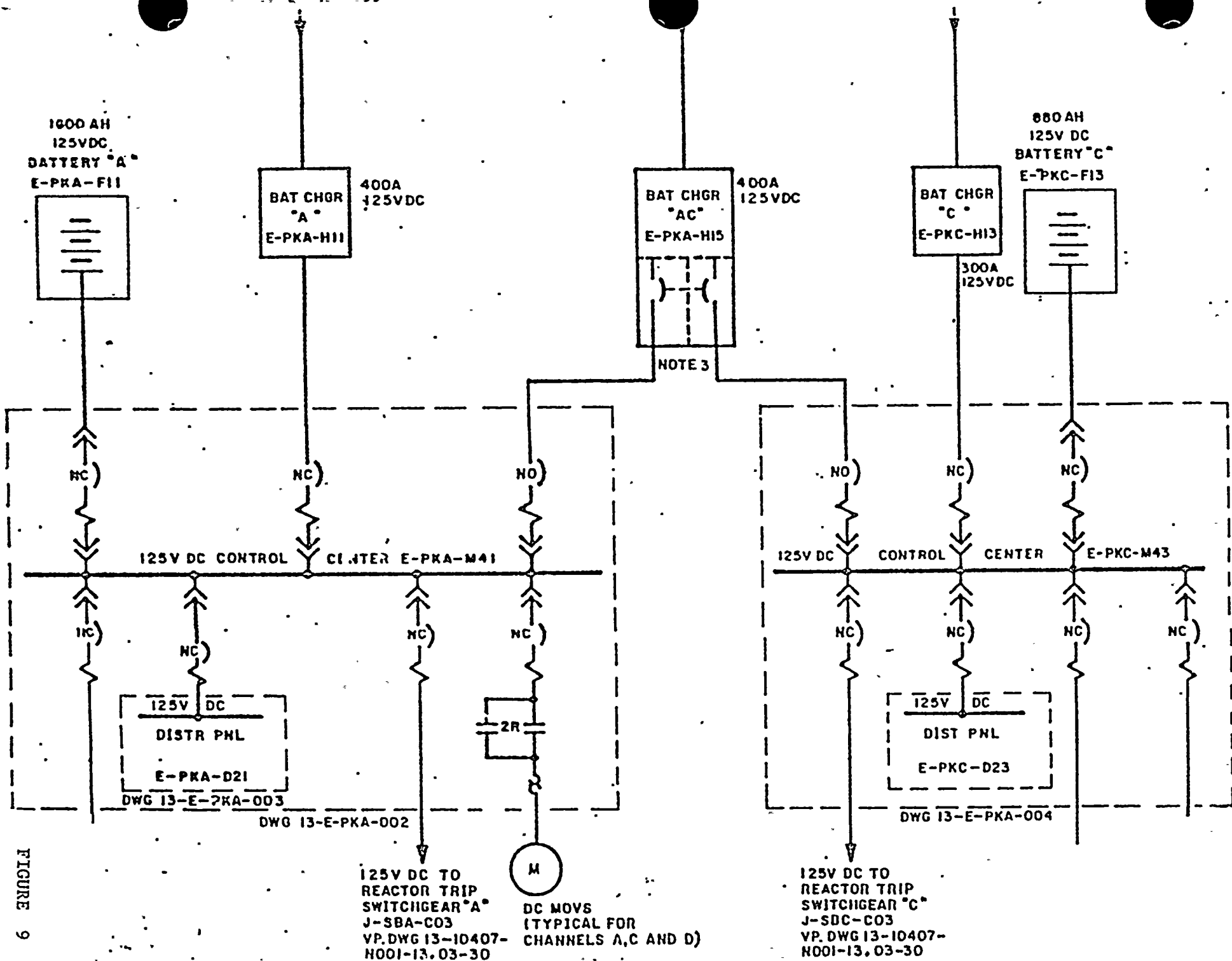


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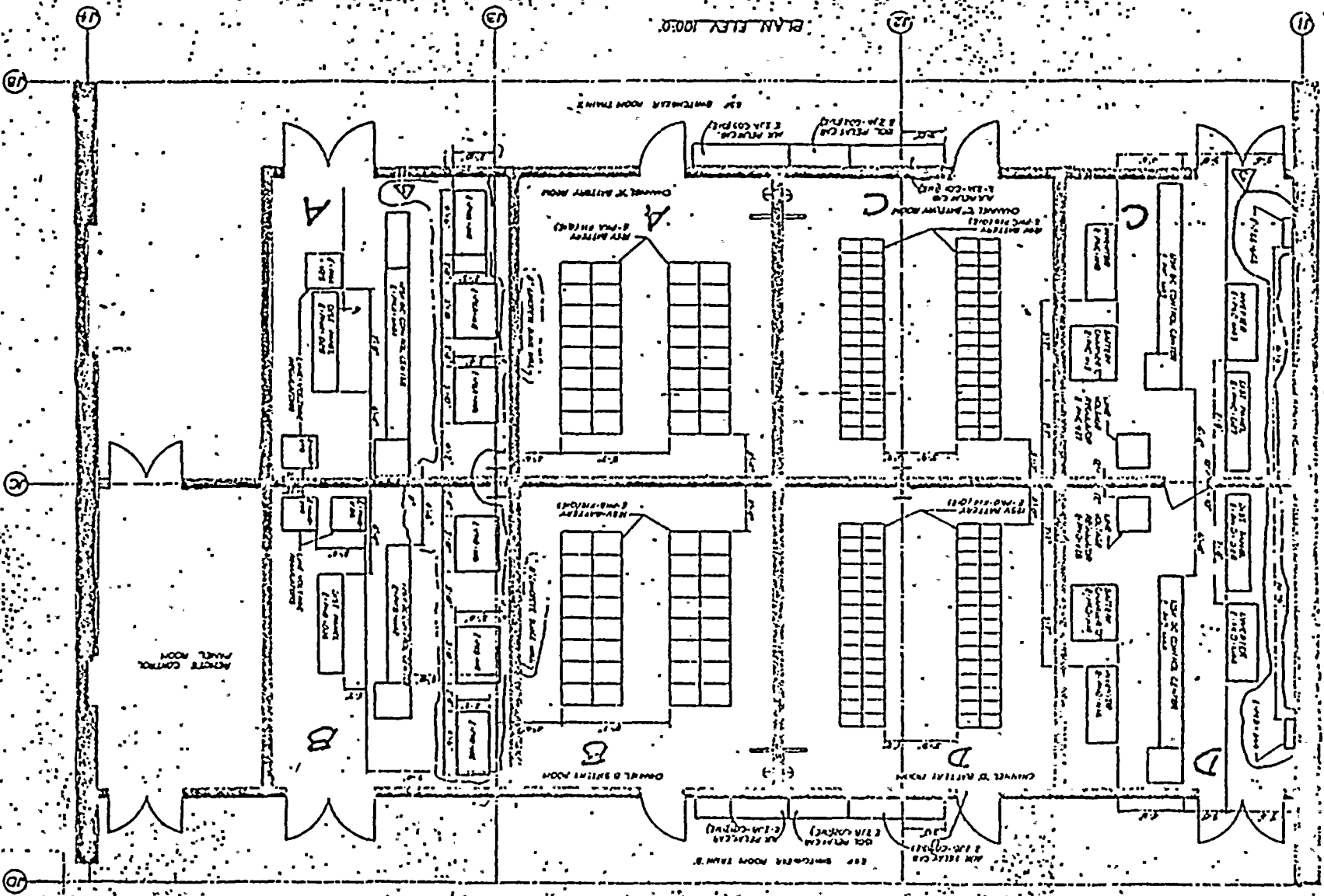


FIGURE 10





FSAR COMPLIANCE

FSAR requirements are met as follows:

1. Meet requirement of NRC Guides
1.6, 1.29, 1.32, 1.41, 1.75, 1.81, 1.93
2. GDC 17, 18
3. IEEE 308-1974, 323-1974, 344-1975, & 450-1975, 384-1974
4. SRP 8.3.2 Acceptance Criteria

GDC 17 ELECTRIC POWER SYSTEMS

- A. The class IE dc subsystems including batteries, chargers, dc switchgear and distribution equipment are physically separate and independent.
- B. Sufficient capacity, capability, independence redundancy and testability are provided in class IE dc system ensuring the performance of safety functions assuming a single failure.

GDC 18 INSPECTION AND TESTING OF ELECTRIC POWER SYSTEMS

- A. Inspection and testing during equipment shutdown of wiring, insulation and connections to assess the continuity of the subsystem and condition of its components.
- B. Periodic testing, during normal plant operation of the operability and functional performance of the subsystem by isolating the subsystem.



IEEE 308 STANDARD REQUIREMENT

DESIGN COMPLIANCE

Redundant Loads

Should be separated into two or more redundant load groups.

Four independent load groups are provided.

Safety Actions

The Safety actions shall be redundant and independent of safety actions by its redundant counterparts.

Safety actions of each of the (4) redundant load groups are independent.

Power Supplies

Each of the redundant load groups shall have access to a power supply that consists of a battery and one or more battery chargers.

Each load group has a battery and battery charger. In addition a standby charger is provided to serve one channel of an independent load group at a time.

Common Power Supply

Two or more load groups may have a common power supply if the consequences of the loss of the common power supply to the load groups under design basis conditions are acceptable.

2 channels of each load group have a common power source from the ac system. However the batteries providing power to the channels are independent.

Common Failure Mode

The batteries should not have a common failure mode for any design basis event.

Batteries are qualified per the requirement of IEEE 323-1974 and IEEE 344-1975.

Protective Devices

Protective devices shall be provided to limit the degradation of the class IE power systems. Sufficient indication shall be provided to identify the actuation of a protective device.

Breakers are provided to isolate parts of the system to limit degradation. Indication is provided locally and in control room to identify status of the breakers.

IEEE 308 STANDARD REQUIREMENT

DESIGN COMPLIANCE

Distribution System Capability

Each distribution circuit shall be capable of transmitting sufficient energy to start and operate all required loads in that circuit.

The distribution system is capable of distributing the required energy to all the loads required for safety action.

Independence

Distribution circuits to redundant equipment shall be physically and electrically independent of each other.

The distribution circuits of each redundant load group are physically and electrically separated and independent of each other per IEEE 384 and R.G. 1.75.

Auxiliary Devices

Auxiliary devices to operate dependent equipment shall be supplied from a related bus section.

All auxiliary devices of each redundant channel are supplied from its respective bus section.

Feeders

Feeders between the class IE power systems located in Safety Class Structure and systems located in non-Safety Class Structures shall be provided with automatic circuit interrupting devices.

All feeders supplying different loads are provided with breakers that automatically open to isolate a fault.

Battery Supply

Description

Each battery supply shall consist of the storage cell, connectors and its connections to the distribution system supply circuit breaker.

The batteries are complete with storage cells, and connectors. Each battery is connected to the distribution system through a circuit breaker.

Capability

Each battery supply shall be capable of starting and operating all required loads.

Batteries are sized per IEEE 485-1978 to start and operate the required loads for two-hour duration.



Availability

Each battery supply shall be immediately available during normal operations and following the loss of power from the ac system.

The batteries are fully charged and connected to the distribution system.

Independence

Each battery supply shall be independent of other battery supplies.

Each of the batteries is totally independent.

Stored Energy

Batteries shall be maintained in a fully charged condition. Stored energy shall be sufficient to operate all necessary circuit breakers and to provide an adequate source of power for all required connected loads during loss of ac power to battery chargers.

Batteries will be maintained and tested on a periodic basis to assure the availability of its stored energy per IEEE 450-1975.

Battery Charger SupplyDescription

Each battery charger supply shall include all equipment from its connection to the ac system to its distribution system supply circuit breaker.

Each battery charger includes all equipment from the ac supply source to the connecting breaker to the distribution system.

Function

Each battery charger supply shall furnish electric energy for the steady state operation of connected loads required during normal and post accident operation while its battery is returned to or maintained in a fully charged state.

The battery chargers are provided to supply the steady state loads and charging the batteries from their design minimum to a fully charged state.

IEEE 308 STANDARD REQUIREMENT

DESIGN COMPLIANCE

Capability

Each battery charger supply shall have sufficient capacity to restore the battery from the design minimum charger to its fully charged state while supplying normal and post accident steady state loads.

The battery chargers are sized so that they are capable to supply the necessary steady state loads and provide charging to the batteries from their design minimum to fully charged state.

Independence

Battery charger supply shall be independent of other battery chargers.

Each battery charger is independent. In addition a standby charger is provided for each load group.

Surveillance

Indicators shall be provided to monitor the status of the battery charger supply. The instrumentation shall include indication of

Indication and alarms are provided for both input and output conditions of voltage, current and circuit breaker position.

(a) Output voltage

(b) Output current

(c) Circuit breaker position

Disconnecting Means

Each battery charger power supply shall have a disconnecting device in its alternating current power output circuit for isolating the charger.

The input to the charger is provided with a breaker to isolate the charger.

Feedback Protection

Each battery charger power supply shall be designed to prevent the alternating ac power supply from becoming a load on the battery due to a power feedback as a result of loss of ac power.

The battery chargers are designed to prevent the ac power supply to become a load on the batteries by means of blocking diodes.

R.G.	Requirement	Design Features
1.6	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Should have separate redundant load groups. Should be energized by a battery and battery charger. No <u>automatic</u> connection to <u>any</u> redundant dc load group. Standby source of one load group should not be automatically paralleled with the standby source of another load group under accident condition. No automatic transfer of loads between redundant power sources. If means exist for manual connection of loads, at least one interlock should be provided to prevent parallel operation. 	<p>Four independent and separate power sources.</p> <p>Each channel has an independent battery and battery charger.</p> <p>There are no automatic means to connect redundant dc load groups.</p> <p>Standby source is within a load group. No standby source parallels two load groups. No automatic paralleling is provided.</p> <p>No automatic transfer of loads are provided.</p> <p>Manual connection of standby source is provided with mechanical interlock to prevent parallel operation.</p>
1.29	Class 1E systems should be designed as Seismic Category I and should withstand the effects of SSE and remain functional.	All Class 1E systems are designed and procured to meet SSE.
1.32	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> A battery charger supply capacity should be based on the largest combined levels of the various steady state loads and charging capacity to restore the battery from the design minimum charge state to fully charged state irrespective of the status of the plant. 	The battery charger is sized to supply all the steady state loads and charging the battery from design minimum (105 volts) to fully-charged state (130 volts).

FIGURE 18

R.G.	Requirement	Design Features
1.32 (cont)	2. Discharge tests should be made per IEEE 450-1975.	Discharge tests will be conducted per IEEE 450-1975
1.41	1. The onsite system should be functionally tested successively with all dc and ac sources disconnected completely for one load group.	The dc system is provided with breakers to effect isolation of system for testing.
	2. During each test the dc buses and related loads not under test should be monitored to verify absence of voltage.	Under voltage relays and alarms are provided both locally and in control room to verify absence of voltage.
1.75	1. Isolation devices actuated only by fault current are not considered to be isolation devices.	Isolation devices are actuated by SIAS signal in addition to fault current for power circuits.
	2. Interlocked armored cable should not be construed to be a raceway.	No interlock armored cable is considered as a raceway.
	3. Locating redundant circuits and equipment in separate safety class structure.	Redundant equipment is located in separate safety class structures and circuits are provided with adequate separation and isolation.
	4. Associated circuits installed should be subject to all requirements placed on Class 1E circuits.	Associated circuits are treated as Class 1E up to isolation devices. After the isolation device they are treated as non-Class 1E.
		All other requirements of R.G 1.75 are met.
1.81	1. DC systems in a multi-unit plant should not be shared.	No shared systems are present between units.
	2. A single failure should not preclude the capability to automatically supply minimum ESF loads.	A single failure will not degrade the capability of dc system to supply minimum ESF loads.

FIGURE 19

R.G.	Requirement	Design Features
1.81 (cont)	3. Onsite power capacity should be provided to energize sufficient Seismic Category I equipment.	The capacity of the dc system is sufficient to energize the necessary dc loads.
	4. The interaction between each units ESF electric circuits should be limited.	No interaction exists between units.
1.93	If only one dc source is not available, power operation may continue for 2 hours.	The standby charger enhances the operation of the plant should one charger and battery be unavailable.

FIGURE 20

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1. System Redundancy Requirements

The acceptability of the onsite dc system with regard to redundancy is based on conformance to the same degree of redundancy required of safety-related components and system by GDC 22, 33, 34, 35, 38, 41, and 44.

The redundancy requirements of the systems mentioned in GDC 22, 33, 34, 35, 38, 41, and 44 are met by four redundant power supplies.

2. Conformance with Single Failure Criterion

Should meet the requirement of GDC 17, IEEE 308 augmented by Reg. Guide 1.6 and Reg. Guide 1.81 implementing the requirement of GDC 5 "Sharing of Systems, structures and components", and Reg. Guide 1.75.

These requirements are met per the following paragraphs of FSAR:

GDC 17 - para 8.3.2.2.11
IEEE 308 - para 8.3.2.2.1.19
Reg. Guide 1.6 -
para 8.3.2.2.1.3
Reg. Guide 1.81 -
para 8.3.2.2.1.16
Reg. Guide 1.75 -
para 8.3.1.2.2.16

3. Power Supplies

a. Basis of selection of battery and battery charger should be based on IEEE 308.

The battery and battery chargers are selected and sized per IEEE 308-1974 augmented by R.G. 1.32 for sizing the chargers (8.3.2.2.1.17 and 8.3.2.2.1.19).

b. Sharing of dc power systems between generating units will not be permitted.

No power systems are shared per R.G. 1.81 (8.3.2.2.1.16).

c. Non-safety related loads connected to safety power supplies should conform to Regulatory Guide 1.75.

The only non-safety load connected to safety related dc power system is the status panel. Its connection meets the requirement of R.G. 1.75 (7.5.2.6 and 8.3.1.2.2.16).

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- d. Thermal overload protection of safety-related valves should meet BTP EICSB27.

4. Identification of Cables and Cable Trays

The method used for identifying dc power system cables and cable trays as safety-related equipment and identification scheme used to distinguish between redundant cable and cable trays should be per R.G. 1.75.

5. Vital Supporting Systems

The instrumentation, controls and electrical equipment for those supporting systems identified as vital to the proper functioning of the safety-related systems and acceptable if the design conforms to the same criteria as the safety-related systems supported.

6. Systems Testing and Surveillance

- a. Preoperational and initial start-up test per R.G. 1.68 and 1.41.
- b. Periodic testing per IEEE 450 and R.G. 1.22.
- c. Surveillance of dc power supply should be in accordance with R.G. 1.47 and BTP EICSB 21.

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The thermal overload protection is bypassed on SIAS per the requirement of R.G. 1.106 (EICSB 27 is superseded by R.G. 1.106).

All power cables are color-coded to identify the channels they are associated with. Their respective raceways are identified by tags at specified intervals per IEEE 384 and R.G. 1.75 (8.3.1.3).

All the instrumentation, controls and equipment meet the redundancy, qualification, identification, and separation that is provided for the safety-related systems.

The protection system is provided with means to perform testing of protection system actuation functions per requirements of R.G. 1.68, 1.41, 1.22, 1.47 and BTP EICSB 21. These systems are covered fully in section 7 of the FSAR.

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7. Other Review Areas

- a. Seismic Design Requirements
The electrical and mechanical equipment should meet the requirements of IEEE 344 and EICSB 10.

Systems and components are designed and procured to meet IEEE 344-1975 and R.G. 1.100.

b. Quality Assurance

The requirements of IEEE 336 and R.G. 1.30 should be met.



Table 3-6

CLASS IE DC SYSTEM LOADS (Sheet 1 of 5)

	Load on Bus		
	Normal Amperes	Emergency Amperes	
		1 minute	2 hours
<u>DC subsystem A</u>			
1. Inverter A E-PNA-N11	160	200	160
2. Reactor trip switchgear, channel A, J-SBA-C03	-	88	-
3. Aux. feedwater rgltr valve J-AFA-UV-32	6.3	34	-
4. Aux. feedwater isol valve J-AFA-UV-37	16	46	-
5. Aux. feedwater trip & throttle valve J-AFA-UV-54	3.4	16.5	-
6. Stm. gen. 1 to aux. fdw. pump A stm. supply vlv J-SGA-UV-134	25	113	-
7. Stm. gen. 2 to aux. fdw. pump A stm. supply vlv J-SGA-UV-138	25	113	-
8. <u>Distribution panel E-PKA-D21</u>			
Auxiliary relay cabinets of load group 1	17	17	17
Class IE switchgear & load centers dc supplies of load group 1	5	107	5
Diesel generator A control and field flash, J-DGA-B01 & B02	10	59	10

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SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

1. Four independent DC systems.
2. Each system consists of normal charger, battery and control center.
3. Standby charger to provide power to either channel of a redundant group.

BATTERY PROFILES

<u>Battery</u>	<u>PROFILE DESCRIPTION</u>			
	<u>0-1 MIN</u>	<u>1-119 MIN</u> (Steady State)	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>119-120 MIN</u> (Includes random load)
A.	912A	340A	13 - 1 min. pulses of 443A including steady state. Pulse intervals are every 3-1/2 min from time 0 to 46-1/2 min.	468A
B.	685A	337A	None.	447A
C.	315A	166A	13-1 min pulses of 269A including steady state. Pulse intervals are every 3-1/2 min from time 0 to 46-1/2 min.	455A
D.	212A	104A	None.	452A

FIGURE 25



Systems Operation

1. The system operates normally from the battery chargers.
2. The stand-by battery can provide power should the normal charger be under maintenance.
3. The batteries will supply power should the ac preferred power be unavailable.
4. The batteries will supply power for 2 hours under accident conditions.
5. Upon restoration of power the chargers will supply all the normal loads and charges the battery from design minimum voltage to fully charged voltage.



COMPONENT DESCRIPTION

1. Battery Charger

- a. Three phase constant voltage unit using solid state circuitry with (SCR) to convert ac to dc power.
- b. A self-supporting, free standing structure with hinged panels.

2. Batteries and Racks

- a. Lead Calcium type batteries
- b. Heat resistant, shock-absorbing, plastic containers, with leak proof seal covers.
- c. Battery racks are of structural steel with acid-resistant coating.

3. DC Control Centers

- a. Vertical free standing structures
- b. The incoming section houses electrically operated drawout type circuit breaker.
- c. Control Center section consists mainly of manually operated breakers, starters and distribution panel.

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APPENDIX PK-A
EQUIPMENT DATA

This Appendix provides equipment data as indicated in the following:

A. Battery

Manufacturer	Exide
Quantity	4
Description	60-cell, Lead-Acid, Storage Battery

<u>Tag No.</u>	<u>Battery type</u>	<u>Nominal Capacity AH</u>	<u>1-Minute Rating, A</u>	<u>Max sc Current, A</u>	<u>8-Hour Rating, A</u>	<u>Inter Res, OHM</u>
E-PKA-F11 (A)	GN-19	1600	1830	18,000	199	.0084
E-PKB-F12 (B)	GN-19	1600	1830	18,000	199	.0084
E-PKC-F13 (C)	EC-21	880	1210	10,980	110	.012
E-PKD-F14 (D)	EC-19	790	1130	9,800	99	.014

B. Battery Charger

Manufacturer	Power Conversion Product Inc.
Quantity	4
Backup Battery Chargers	2

<u>Tag No.</u>	<u>480 V Input ac Current A</u>	<u>125 V Output dc Current A</u>
E-PKA-H11	110	400
E-PKA-H15	110	400
E-PKC-H13	85	300
E-PKB-H12	110	400
E-PKB-H16	110	400
E-PKD-H14	85	300
Transient Voltage		5000V
Charge Voltage		130V
Equalizing Charge Voltage		140
Floating Voltage Minimum		130
Floating Voltage Maximum		135
Regulation NL to FL		+1/2%
Ripple		2%
Efficiency		90%
Power Factor		75%

FIGURE 28

TESTS AND INSPECTIONS

The following tests and inspections will be performed periodically on Class IE 125-V-dc systems.

- A. Float voltage is measured.
- B. Cells are checked for cracks or electrolyte leakage.
- C. The plates of cells are checked for buckling, discoloring, grid cracks, and plate growth.
- D. Specific gravity of each cell is measured.
- E. Voltage reading of each cell is measured.
- F. Electrolyte level of each cell is checked, and all water additions are recorded.
- G. Temperature of the electrolyte in representative cells is measured.
- H. Battery charger current is measured with battery in service.
- I. Periodically, a battery capacity discharge test is performed.

INSTRUMENTATION DESCRIPTION

1. Battery Charger Instrumentation

- o Ammeter at charger and at control room for charger output dc current
- o Voltmeter at charger and at control room for charger output dc voltage
- o Undervoltage relay No. 27 at charger to alarm at ac undervoltage input
- o Undervoltage relay No. 27C at charger to alarm at dc undervoltage output
- o Overvoltage relay No. 59 at charger to alarm at dc overvoltage output
- o Ac and dc breaker position indication at charger
- o Output breaker open alarm
- o Charger malfunction alarm in the control room, including ac undervoltage, dc undervoltage, dc overvoltage, and output breaker open

2. Battery Instrumentation

- o Ammeter at dc control center and at control room for battery current indication
- o Voltmeter at dc control center and at control room for dc bus voltage indication
- o Undervoltage relay No. 27A at control center for dc bus undervoltage alarm
- o Ground detector relay No. 64 and indication light for dc bus ground indication to alarm at dc control center and at control room



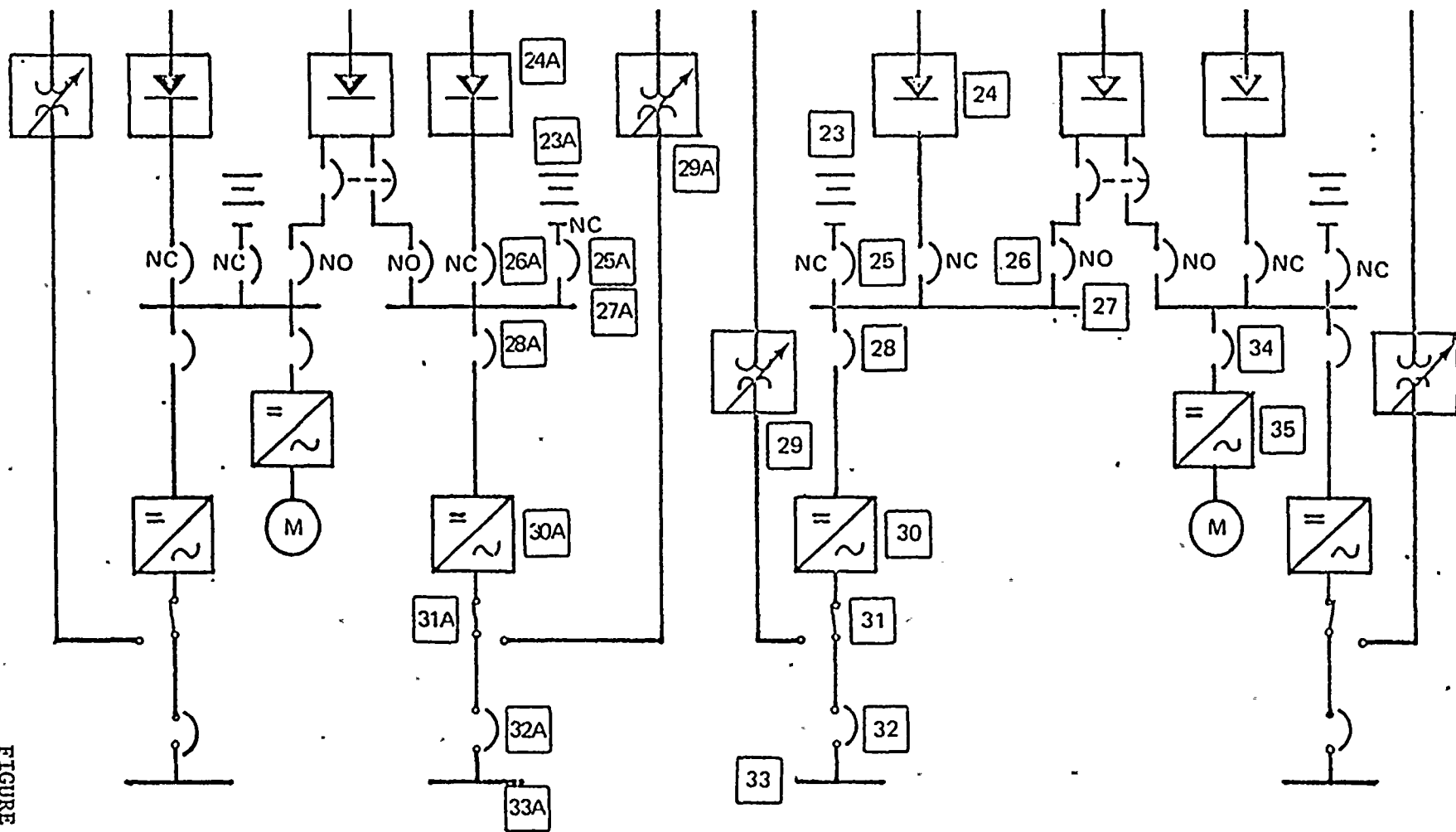


FIGURE 31



FAILURE MODE AND EFFECTS ANALYSIS

Identification No.	Component Name	Component Function	Failure Mode	Effect on Subsystem	Effect on Subsystem
23	Battery	Provides dc power to the bus	Fails to provide dc power	Loss of standby power to the bus	No effect - The batteries serve as the source of standby dc power to the bus. The charger provides the dc power under normal conditions.
24	Battery Charger	Provides dc power to the bus	Fails to provide dc power	Loss of primary dc power.	No effect - The battery provides power to the bus and the standby charger can be connected to provide power for extended period of time.
25	Battery circuit breaker	Provides protection to the battery under fault conditions and provides power to the bus under normal conditions.	Fails open	Loss of standby dc power.	No effect - The battery provides standby power to the bus. The charger provides the dc power.
26	Battery charger circuit breaker (NC)	Provides protection to the Charger under fault conditions and supplies power to the dc bus under normal conditions.	Fails open	Loss of dc power to the bus	No effect - The battery supplies power to the dc bus through its breaker. Standby battery charger breaker can be closed to supply power to the loads and battery.
27	DC bus	Distributes dc power to ESF loads	Fault	Loss of dc power to one channel.	No effect - Power available to the other three redundant channels. No actuation of ESFAS system due to 2/4 logic.



INTERFACE

- (1) VENTILATION
- (2) FIRE PROTECTION
- (3) INDUCED SURGES



QUALIFICATION STATUS

Batteries - Achieved Qualification for approximately 3 years. Trying to extend Qualification per IEEE 344-1975 and IEEE 323-1974. Environmental testing is in progress - to be completed by 12/80.

Battery Chargers - Seismic and Environmental Test Plans and Reports per IEEE 344-1975 and IEEE 323-1974 were submitted and reviewed with comments. Environmental Qual. in progress.

Distribution Centers (MCC) - Qual. Test Plans per IEEE 323-1974 and IEEE 344-1975 have been received. Qual. testing is in progress. Reports scheduled for 6/80.

Distribution Panels - Qual. test plans have comments - Qual. testing per IEEE 323-1974 and IEEE 344-1975 is in progress. Completion by Mid-1980.

Instruments & Meters (in the Control Room) - Qual. test plans have comments - Qual. testing per IEEE 323-1974 and IEEE 344-1975 is in progress. Completion by 12/80.



ERRATA

Page 12, lines 2 and 3

Reference is made to Reg. Guide 1.41 - the correct reference should be to Reg. Guide 1.75.

Page 29, lines 19 and 20

Replace the sentence which begins on line 19 with the following:

"We have tried to maintain separation for A and C. channels, which are related to train A, similarly for B and D; so we can have more reliable separation and isolation of the circuits."

Page 33, line 16

Reference is made to a "non-seismic event"; this should read "seismic event."

Page 40, lines 21-25; page 41, line 1

Replace the paragraph which begins on line 21 and concludes on page 41, line 1, with the following:

"A single failure should not preclude the capability to automatically supply minimum ESF loads, and we have seen that with four redundant channels and the occurrence of a single failure, we can still operate in the 2 out of 3 mode."

Page 41, lines 2 and 3

Replace the sentence which begins on line 2 with the following:

"The onsite power supply capacity should be sufficient to energize the appropriate seismic category I equipment."

