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## **License Amendment Request:**

**Methodology for the Analysis of Concrete  
Seismic Category I Structures with  
Concrete Affected by Alkali Silica  
Reaction**

**Seabrook Station**

**June 15, 2016**

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- \$17B Consolidated Revenues <sup>(1)</sup>
- 44,900 MW in operation <sup>(1, 2)</sup>
- 13,800 employees



- One of the largest U.S. electric utilities
- 4.8 MM customer accounts
- 25,100 MW in operation



- U.S. leader in renewable generation
- Assets primarily in 25 states and Canada
- 19,800 MW in operation <sup>(1, 2)</sup>

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(2) Includes NEE's ownership share of NextEra Energy Partners' portfolio



# The foundation for everything we do are the Values and Core Principles of our Nuclear Excellence Model



## Nuclear Excellence Model



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## **Presentation Outline**

- Alkali-Silica Reaction
- Overview of License Amendment Request (LAR)
- Structural Capacity Testing of ASR-Affected Specimens
- Evaluation of Structural Deformation
- Monitoring of ASR Expansion and Structure Deformation
- Summary of LAR changes
- Closing Remarks

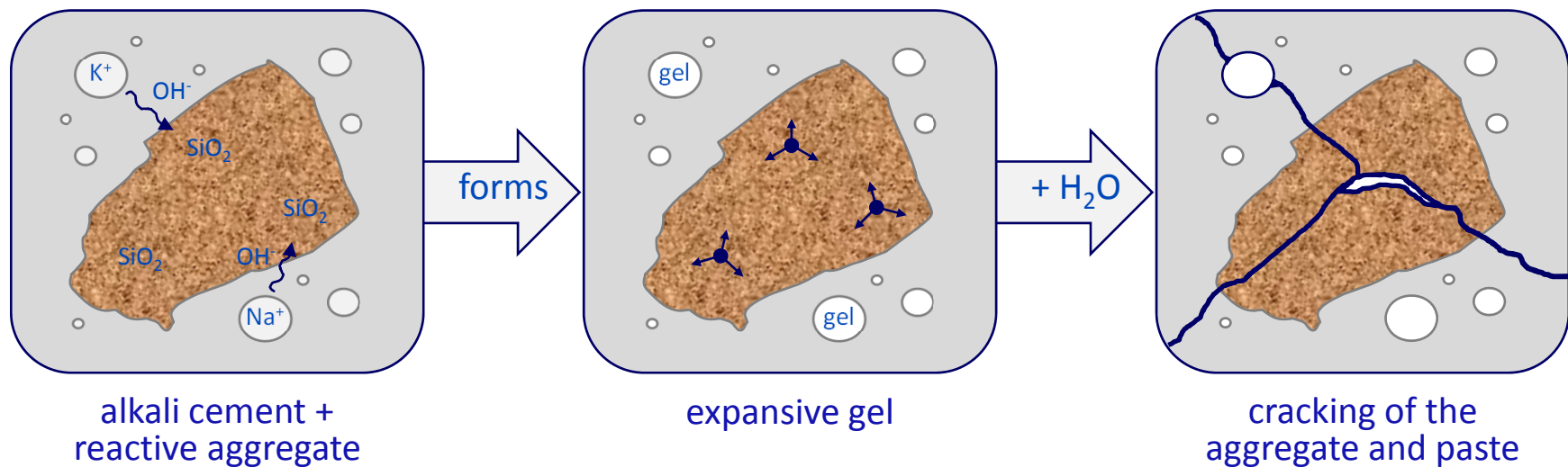
-Presentation describes Next Era current intent regarding License Amendment Application

# Alkali-Silica Reaction



# Alkali-Silica Reaction

- ASR (alkali-silica reaction) is a chemical reaction between silica from the aggregate (gravel and/or sand) and alkali constituents in the cement
- Reaction produces a gel that expands as it absorbs moisture and exerts a tensile stress from within the concrete



# **Overview of License Amendment Request**

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- Next Era proposes a change in the UFSAR methodology to address ASR concrete degradation at Seabrook Station
- ACI 318-71 and the ASME Code do not include provisions for addressing ASR and its effects
  - Incorporate loads imposed by ASR into the design basis
- Evaluate structures affected by ASR to demonstrate that they satisfy the acceptance criteria of the original construction code
  - ACI 318-71 for all seismic Category I structures other than containment
  - ASME Boiler & Pressure Vessel Code, Section III for containment

# Overview of License Amendment Request

- Applies to Seismic Cat 1 Structures and Containment Structure
- Establish ASR expansion limits from testing:
  - Shear capacity
  - Flexural capacity and reinforcement development length
  - Anchor bolts embedded in concrete with ASR
- 3 Stage Analysis process for Building Deformation Assessment:
  - Specify how ASR loads are combined with other design basis loads for analyzing structures including defining load factors
  - Include the effects of concrete creep, shrinkage and swelling in structure deformation analyses
  - Identify ANSYS as the computer code used for ASR building deformation analyses
  - Permit use of the 100-40-40 procedure from Regulatory Guide 1.92, Revision 3 for detailed evaluations (“Stage Three”) analyses of ASR-affected structures.
  - Use of cracked section properties and redistribution of self-limiting loads for ASR-affected structures
- Attachments:
  - UFSAR Markup and ‘Clean’ Pages
  - MPR 4288, Rev 0 Seabrook Station: Impact of ASR on Structural Design Structural Design Evaluations
  - MPR 4273, Rev 0 Seabrook Station: Implications of Large Scale Test Program Results on Reinforced Concrete Affected by ASR
  - SGH (#TBD) Computation of Load Factors for ASR Demands

# **Structural Capacity Testing of** **ASR-Affected Specimens**

# Structural Capacity Testing of ASR-Affected Specimens

- MPR conducted large-scale test programs to investigate structural impact of ASR on reinforced concrete
  - Improve current understanding of ASR and its effects on reinforced concrete structures
  - Evaluate instruments for monitoring (measuring) the through-thickness (out-of-plane) expansion of concrete from ASR

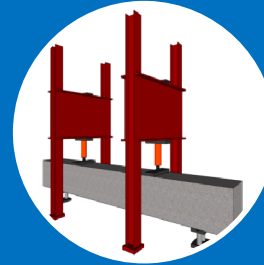
# Structural Capacity Testing of ASR-Affected Specimens



Anchor Test  
Program



Shear Test  
Program



Reinforcement  
Anchorage  
Test Program



Instrument  
Evaluation  
Program

Beam Test Programs

## Structural Capacity Testing of ASR-Affected Specimens

Test Program	Results	Key Conclusion
Anchor Test Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anchor performance               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>insensitive to through-thickness expansion</li> <li>reduces at high levels of in-plane cracking</li> </ul> </li> <li>No difference between performance of anchors installed before and after ASR expansion</li> </ul>	No impact on anchors at Seabrook based on expansion levels expected
Beam Test Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Control specimens showed consistency with ACI 318 equations for shear capacity, flexural capacity and lap splice length</li> <li>ASR-affected specimens showed:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No adverse impact of ASR on shear capacity, flexural capacity, reinforcement anchorage and lap splice performance</li> <li>Behavior indicative of pre-stressing due to ASR expansion</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Original design strength and code equations can be used for ASR-affected reinforced concrete structures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shear capacity</li> <li>Flexural capacity</li> <li>Reinforcement development length</li> </ul>
Instrumentation Evaluation Program	Snap ring borehole extensometers were accurate and reliable throughout duration of program	Snap ring borehole extensometers selected for use at Seabrook Station



# Structural Capacity Testing of ASR-Affected Specimens

- Licensing Implications
  - Impact on UFSAR
    - Large-scale testing or reinforced-concrete beams showed
      - No adverse impact of ASR on shear capacity, flexural capacity or reinforcement development length
      - Use of Code equations and design compressive strength to determine capacity is conservative
    - No change to the UFSAR-described methodology is necessary for determining capacity provided ASR expansion is within limits from testing
  - ASR expansion limits
    - Expansion limits established based on range of expansion covered in testing
    - Limits to be controlled within Structural Monitoring Program

# **Evaluation of Structural Deformation**

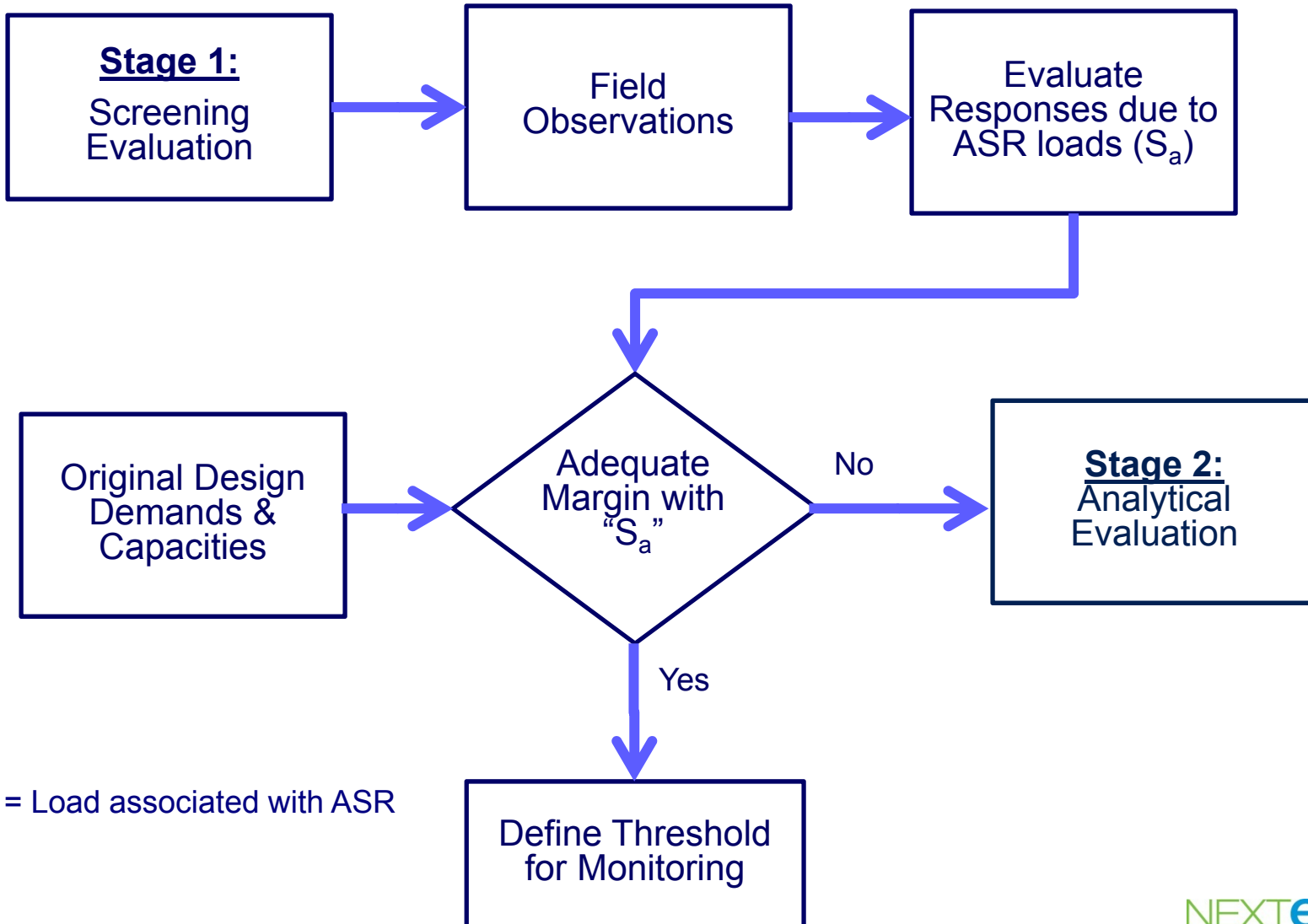
# **Evaluation of Structural Deformation**

- **Inspections of Seabrook structures have identified deformation due to ASR expansion effects**
  - ASR-related expansion may impose an additional, internal load on reinforced concrete adjacent to ASR-affected areas
  - ASR-related expansion of concrete backfill can impose an external load on adjacent structures
  - Seismic gap widths and close clearances between structures and plant components may be reduced

# **Methodology for Analysis of Structural Deformation**

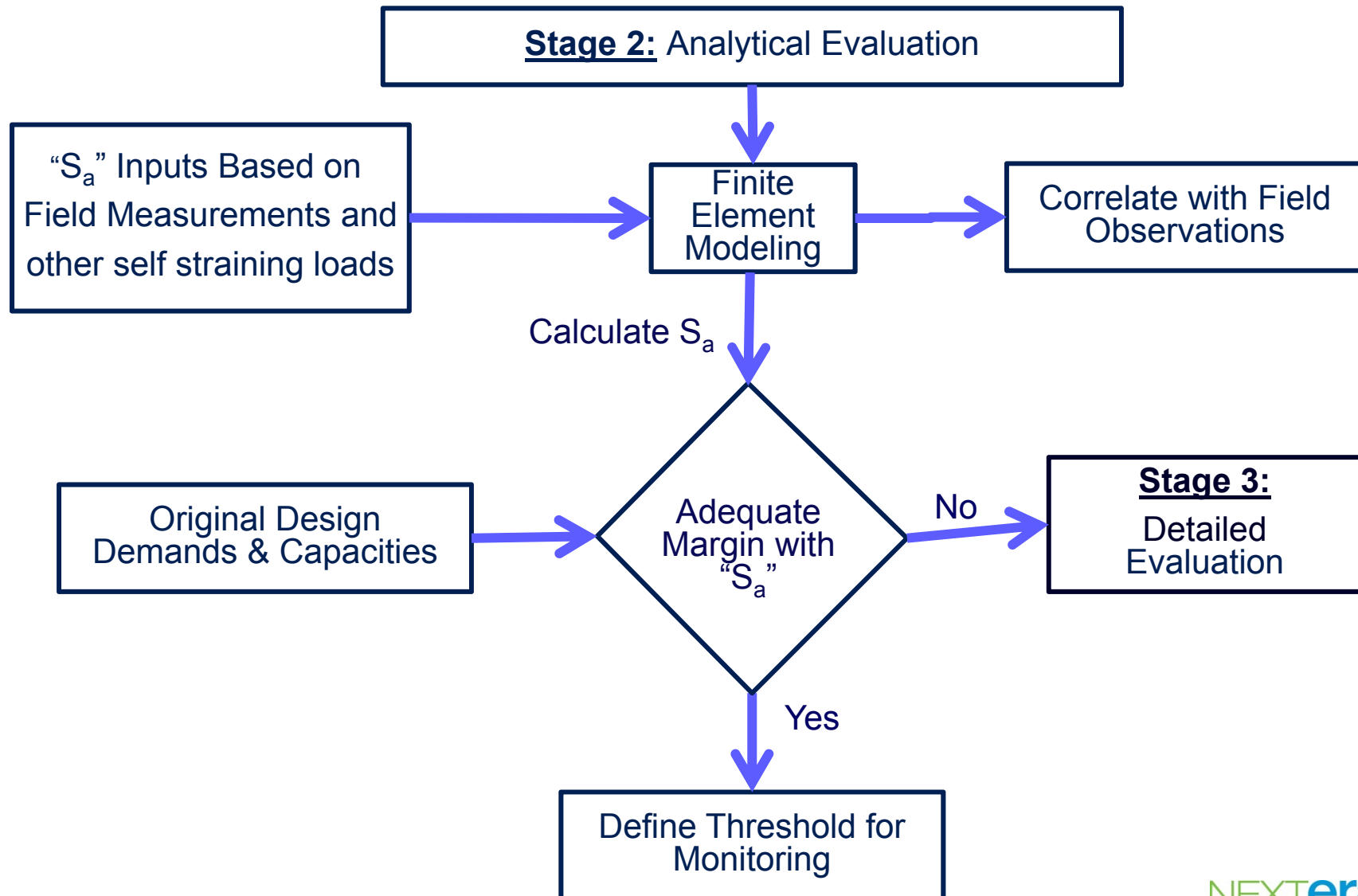
- **LAR describes progressive approach for evaluating structures with deformation**
  - Stage One – Screening Evaluation
  - Stage Two – Analytical Evaluation
  - Stage Three – Detailed Evaluation
- **Structures require an analysis of all load combinations with ASR loads included**

# Evaluation of Structural Deformation

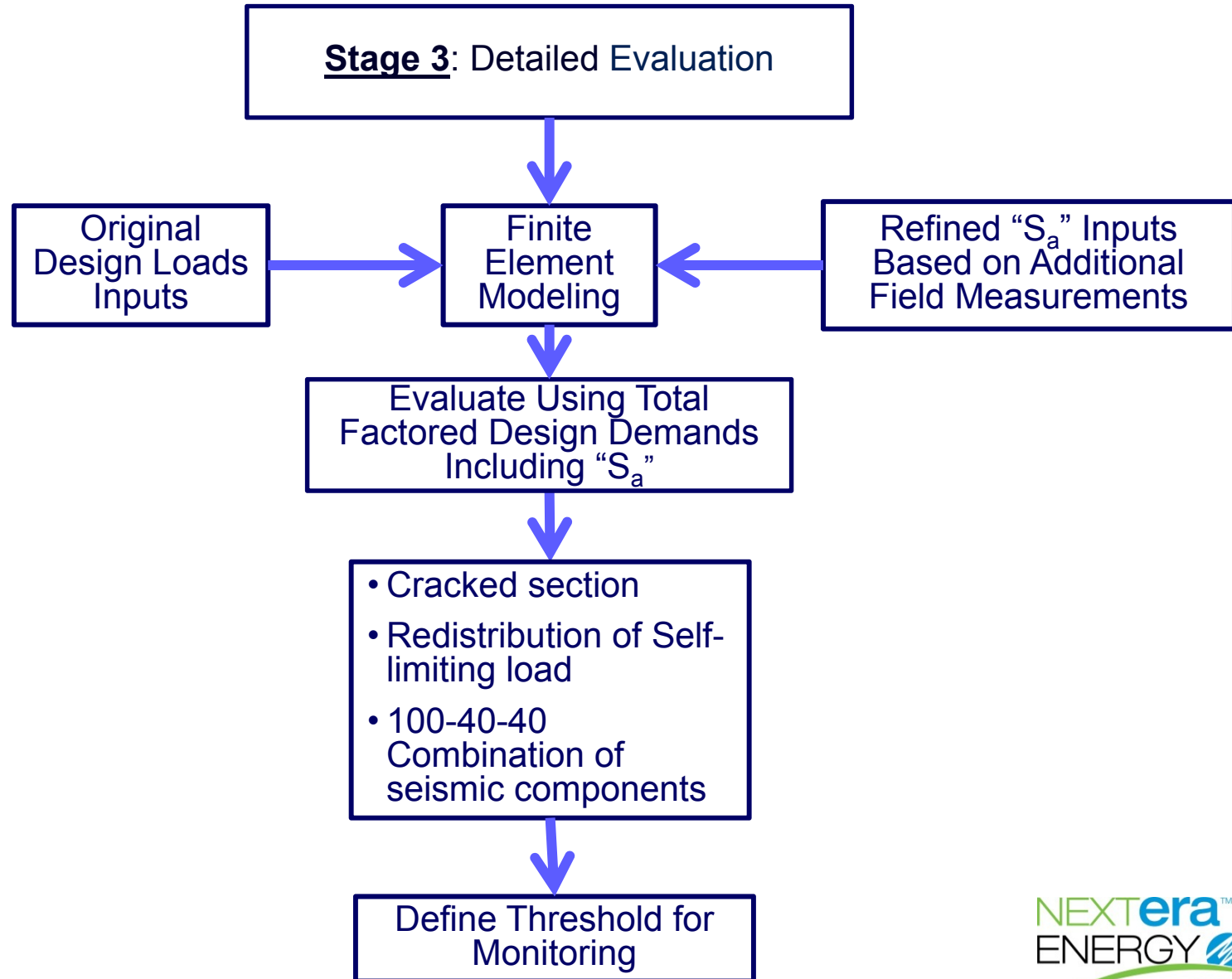


" $S_a$ " = Load associated with ASR

# Evaluation of Structural Deformation



## Evaluation of Stage 3 Structural Deformation



# **Evaluation of Structural Deformation**

- **Including ASR loads with other design basis loads requires definition of load factors for each loading combination**
  - ACI 318-71 and 1975 Edition of ASME B&PV Section III Division 2 does not include load factors for ASR
  - SGH developed load factors consistent with ACI 318-71 and ASME 1975 Edition load factor development
  - Load factors for ASR will be used in the analysis of Seabrook structures and included in Tables 3.8-1 and 3.8-16 of the UFSAR
- **Structures evaluated to demonstrate that additional ASR expansion is permissible**
  - Margin is included in the acceptance criteria for each stage to ensure that additional deformation does not challenge design limits
  - A higher level of deformation is analyzed relative to current measurements to set the threshold for monitoring



# **Evaluation of Structural Deformation**

- **Stage 2 or Stage 3 evaluation will use an ANSYS finite element model**
  - Alternate computer codes were used in the original analyses of Seabrook structures
  - ANSYS has been used for analyzing safety-related structures in other plant designs (e.g., AP1000, ESBWR)
  - NRC has previously accepted the use of ANSYS for structural analysis at other facilities
- **Effects of creep, shrinkage, and swelling of concrete must be accounted for in the structure deformation analyses**
  - Creep, shrinkage and swelling loads are discussed in the Seabrook UFSAR but they were considered negligible in the original design analyses
  - ACI 318-71 includes load factors for loads caused by creep, shrinkage and swelling

# **Review of ASR Expansion and Structure Deformation Monitoring**

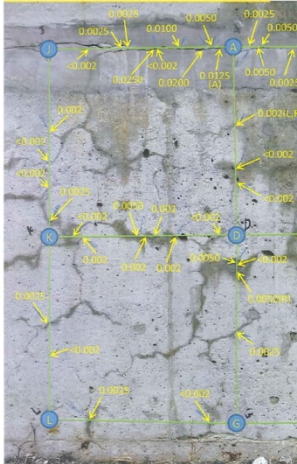
# **Review of ASR Expansion and Structure Deformation Monitoring**

- **Continued monitoring of ASR and its effects is necessary**
  - Expansion caused by ASR must be measured and remain bounded by limits established from the large-scale test program
  - Periodic measurements of structure deformation are necessary to ensure limits from deformation analyses are satisfied
- **Separate monitoring requirements will be included in the Structural Monitoring Program (SMP) for ASR expansion and structure deformation**
- **SMP uses a three-tiered approach to classify the results of inspections**
  - ASR expansion levels and structure deformation measurements will be evaluated using classification levels
  - Increased monitoring and analysis are necessary for progressively higher levels of ASR expansion and structure deformation

# Review of ASR Expansion and Structure Deformation Monitoring

## Typical methods used to measure ASR expansion at Seabrook

Seabrook – Location 2b: CTE-01N



### Combined Cracking Index

Measurement of crack widths over a defined area on structure surface. Used at Seabrook since 2011.

### Expansion Measurements

In-plane measurement to determine changes in length between embedded pins.



### Snap Ring Borehole Extensometers

Measure changes in through-thickness expansion using gauge rod affixed to anchor



# Review of ASR Expansion and Structures Monitoring

## Tiers for classifying ASR cracking

Tier	Structural Monitoring Program Category	Recommendation for Individual Concrete Components	CRITERIA Combined Cracking Index (CCI)
3	Unacceptable (requires further evaluation)	Structural Evaluation	1.0 mm/m or greater
2	Acceptable with Deficiencies	Quantitative Monitoring and Trending	0.5 mm/m or greater
		Qualitative Monitoring	Any area with visual presence of ASR (as defined in FHWA-HIF-12-022) accompanied an estimated summation of crack widths not supporting a 0.5 mm/m CI in the vertical or horizontal direction.
1	Acceptable	Routine inspection as prescribed by the Structural Monitoring Program	Area has no indications of pattern cracking or water ingress- No visual presence of ASR

- Limits established in the large-scale test program will be included in the Structural Monitoring Program

## Review of ASR Expansion and Deformation Monitoring

- Inspection requirements for structures with ASR-induced deformation

Stage	Deformation Evaluation Stage	Monitoring Interval
1D	Screening	3 years
2D	Analytical	18 months
3D	Detailed	6 months

- Parameters that are measured are specific to each structure
  - Parameters will be defined in the structure deformation evaluation
  - Limits established from deformation evaluation

## Summary of LAR Changes

- **NextEra will submit the following changes to the Seabrook UFSAR:**
  - ASR expansion loads are taken into account for seismic Category I structures
  - Load factors for ASR loads are included in the design load combinations
  - Creep, shrinkage and swelling effects are evaluated in the process of analyzing structures with ASR-related deformation
  - ANSYS is used for deformation evaluations
  - Stage Three deformation evaluations may use 100-40-40 method from NRC Regulatory Guide 1.92, Revision 3, for combining seismic loads instead of the SRSS method in Revision 1 of this regulatory guide.

## Closing Remarks

- License Amendment Request Represents multiple years of research and learning about ASR
- Third Party Reviews in progress
- Submit to NRC by July 31<sup>st</sup>