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3.5.A Core Spray and LPCI Subsystems (cont'd)

2. From and after the date that one of the core spray subsystems is made or found to be inoperable for any reason, continued reactor operation is permissible during the succeeding seven days, provided that during such seven days all active components of the other core spray subsystem and active components of the LPCI subsystem and the diesel generators are operable.
3. The LPCI Subsystems shall be operable whenever irradiated fuel is in the reactor vessel, and prior to reactor startup from a Cold Condition, except as specified in 3.5.A.4, 3.5.A.5 and 3.5.F.5.

SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

4.5.A Core Spray and LPCI Subsystems (cont'd)

Check	Once/day
Calibrate	Once/3 months
Test	Once/3 months

2. When it is determined that one core spray subsystem is inoperable, the operable core spray subsystem, the LPCI subsystem and the diesel generators shall be demonstrated to be operable immediately. The operable core spray subsystem shall be demonstrated to be operable daily thereafter.
3. LPCI Subsystem Testing shall be as follows:
 - a. Simulated Automatic Actuation Test Once/Operating Cycle
 - b. Pump Operability Once/month
 - c. Motor Operated valve operability Once/month
 - d. Pump Flow Rate Once/3 months

Three LPCI pumps shall deliver 14,400 gpm against a system head corresponding to a vessel pressure of 20 psig.

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3.5.F Minimum Low Pressure Cooling
and Diesel Generator Avail-
ability (Cont'd)

3. When irradiated fuel is in the reactor vessel and the reactor is in the Cold Shutdown Condition, both core spray systems, the LPCI and containment cooling subsystems may be inoperable, provided no work is being done which has the potential for draining the reactor vessel.
4. During a refueling outage, for a period of thirty days, refueling operation may continue provided that one core spray system or the LPCI system is operable or specification 3.5.F.5 is met.
5. When irradiated fuel is in the reactor vessel and the reactor is in the Refueling Condition with the torus drained, a single control rod drive mechanism may be removed, if both of the following conditions are satisfied:
 - a) No work on the reactor vessel, in addition to CRD removal, will be performed which has the potential for exceeding the maximum leak rate from a single control blade seal if it became unseated.
 - b) i) the core spray systems are operable and aligned with a suction path from the condensate storage tanks, ii) the condensate storage tanks shall contain at least 200,000 gallons of usable water and the refueling cavity and dryer/separator pool shall be flooded to at least elevation 114'-0".

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3.5.H Maintenance of Filled Discharge Pipe

Whenever core spray subsystems, LPCI subsystem, HPCI, or RCIC are required to be operable, the discharge piping from the pump discharge of these systems to the last block valve shall be filled.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENT

4.5.H Maintenance of Filled Discharge Pipe

The following surveillance requirements shall be adhered to to assure that the discharge piping of the core spray subsystems, LPCI subsystem, HPCI and RCIC are filled:

1. Every month prior to the testing of the LPCI subsystem and core spray subsystem, the discharge piping of these systems shall be vented from the high point and water flow observed.
2. Following any period where the LPCI subsystem or core spray subsystems have not been required to be operable, the discharge piping of the inoperable system shall be vented from the high point prior to the return of the system to service.
3. Whenever the HPCI or RCIC system is lined up to take suction from the torus, the discharge piping of the HPCI and RCIC shall be vented from the high point of the system and water flow observed on a monthly basis.
4. The pressure switches which monitor the discharge lines to ensure that they are full shall be functionally tested every month and calibrated every three months.

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BASES:

3.5.F Minimum Low Pressure Cooling and Diesel Generator Availability

The purpose of Specification F is to assure that adequate core cooling equipment is available at all times. If, for example, one core spray were out of service and the diesel which powered the opposite core spray were out of service, only 2 LPCI pumps would be available. It is during refueling outages that major maintenance is performed and during such time that all low pressure core cooling systems may be out of service. This specification provides that should this occur, no work will be performed on the primary system which could lead to draining the vessel. This work would include work on certain control rod drive components and recirculation system. Specification F allows removal of one CRD mechanism while the torus is in a drained condition without compromising core cooling capability. The available core cooling capability for a potential draining of the reactor vessel while this work is performed is based on an estimated drain rate of 300 gpm if the control rod blade seal is unseated. Flooding the refuel cavity and dryer/separator pool to elevation 114' 0" corresponds to approximately 350,000 gallons of water and will provide core cooling capability in the event leakage from the control rod drive does occur. A potential draining of the reactor vessel (via control rod blade leakage) would allow this water to enter into the torus and after approximately 140,000 gallons have accumulated (needed to meet minimum NPSH requirements for the LPCI and/or core spray pumps), the torus would be able to serve as a common suction header. This would allow a closed loop operation of the LPCI system and the core spray system (once re-aligned) to the torus. In addition, the other core spray system is lined up to the condensate storage tanks which can supplement the refuel cavity and dryer/separator pool water to provide core flooding, if required.

Specification 3.9 must also be consulted to determine other requirements for the diesel generators.

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3.7 CONTAINMENT SYSTEMS

Applicability:

Applies to the operating status of the primary and secondary containment systems.

Objective:

To assure the integrity of the primary and secondary containment systems.

Specification:

A. Primary Containment

1. At any time that the nuclear system is pressurized above atmospheric pressure or work is being done which has the potential to drain the vessel, the pressure suppression pool water volume and temperature shall be maintained within the following limits except as specified in 3.7.A.2 and 3.7.A.3.
 - a. Minimum water volume - 84,000 ft³
 - b. Maximum water volume - 94,000 ft³
 - c. Maximum suppression pool temperature during normal continuous power operation shall be $\leq 80^{\circ}\text{F}$, except as specified in 3.7.A.1.e.
 - d. Maximum suppression pool temperature during RCIC, HPCI or ADS operation shall be $\leq 90^{\circ}\text{F}$, except as specified in 3.7.A.1.e.
 - e. In order to continue reactor power operation, the suppression chamber pool temperature must be reduced to $\leq 80^{\circ}\text{F}$ within 24 hours.
 - f. If the suppression pool temperature exceeds the limits of Specification 3.7.A.1.d, RCIC, HPCI or ADS testing shall be terminated and suppression pool cooling shall be initiated.
 - g. If the suppression pool temperature during reactor power operation exceeds 110°F , the reactor shall be scrammed.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.7 CONTAINMENT SYSTEMS

Applicability:

Applies to the primary and secondary containment integrity.

Objective:

To verify the integrity of the primary and secondary containment.

Specification:

A. Primary Containment

1.
 - a. The suppression chamber water level and temperature shall be checked once per day.
 - b. Whenever there is indication of relief valve operation or testing which adds heat to the suppression pool, the pool temperature shall be continually monitored and also observed and logged every 5 minutes until the heat addition is terminated.
 - c. Whenever there is indication of relief valve operation with the temperature of the suppression pool reaching 160°F or more and the primary coolant system pressure greater than 200 psig, an external visual examination of the suppression chamber shall be conducted before resuming power operation.
 - d. A visual inspection of the suppression chamber interior, including water line regions, shall be made at each major refueling outage.

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2. Primary containment integrity shall be maintained at all times when the reactor is critical or when the reactor water temperature is above 212°F and fuel is in the reactor vessel except while performing "open vessel" physics tests at power levels not to exceed 5 Mw(t).

3. The suppression chamber can be drained if the conditions as specified in Sections 3.5.F.3 and 3.5.F.5 of this Technical Specification are adhered to.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

2. Integrated Leak Rate Testing

- a. The primary containment integrity shall be demonstrated by performing an Integrated Primary Containment Leak Test (IPCLT) in accordance with either Method A or Method B, as follows:

Method A

Perform leak rate test prior to initial unit operation at the test pressure 45 psig, P_t (45), to obtain measured leak rate L_m (45), or

Method B

Perform leak rate test prior to initial unit operation at the test pressure of 45 psig, P_t (45), and 23 psig, P_t (23), to obtain the measured leak rates, L_m (45) and L_m (23), respectively.

BASES:

3.7.A & 4.7.A Primary Containment

The integrity of the primary containment and operation of the core standby cooling system in combination limit the off-site doses to values less than those suggested in 10 CFR 100 in the event of a break in the primary system piping. Thus, containment integrity is specified whenever the potential for violation of the primary reactor system integrity exists. Concern about such a violation exists whenever the reactor is critical and above atmospheric pressure. An exception is made to this requirement during initial core loading and while the low power test program is being conducted and ready access to the reactor vessel is required. There will be no pressure on the system at this time, thus greatly reducing the chances of a pipe break. The reactor may be taken critical during this period; however, restrictive operating procedures will be in effect again to minimize the probability of an accident occurring. Procedures and the Rod Worth Minimizer would limit control worth such that a rod drop would not result in any fuel damage. In addition, in the unlikely event that an excursion did occur, the reactor building and standby gas treatment system, which shall be operational during this time, offer a sufficient barrier to keep off-site doses well below 10 CFR 100 limits.

The pressure suppression pool water provides the heat sink for the reactor primary system energy release following a postulated rupture of the system. The pressure suppression chamber water volume must absorb the associated decay and structural sensible heat released during primary system blowdown from 1035 psig. Since all of the gases in the drywell are purged into the pressure suppression chamber air space during a loss-of-coolant accident, the pressure resulting from isothermal compression plus the vapor pressure of the liquid must not exceed 62 psig, the suppression chamber maximum pressure. The design volume of the suppression chamber (water and air) was obtained by considering that the total volume of reactor coolant to be condensed is discharged to the suppression chamber and that the drywell volume is purged to the suppression chamber.

Using the minimum or maximum water volumes given in the specification, containment pressure during the design basis accident is approximately 45 psig which is below the maximum of 62 psig. Maximum water volume of 94,000 ft³ results in a downcomer submergency of 4'9" and the minimum volume of 84,000 ft³ results in a submergence approximately 12-inches less. The majority of the Bodega tests were run with a submerged length of 4 feet and with complete condensation. Thus, with respect to downcomer submergency, this specification is adequate.

Should it be necessary to drain the suppression chamber, provision will be made to maintain those requirements as described in Section 3.5.F BASES of this Technical Specification.

Experimental data indicates that excessive steam condensing loads can be avoided if the peak temperature of the pressure suppression pool is maintained below 160°F during any period of relief-valve operation with sonic conditions at the discharge exit. Specifications have been placed on the envelope of reactor operating conditions so that the reactor can be depressurized in a timely manner to avoid the regime of potentially high pressure suppression chamber loadings.