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SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS4.6 PRIMARY SYSTEM BOUNDARYApplicability:

Applies to the periodic examination and testing requirements for the reactor coolant system.

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- (a) Bottom head drain
- (b) Recirculation loop A and B.

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3. When the reactor vessel head bolting studs are tensioned and the reactor is in a Cold Condition, the reactor vessel shell temperature immediately below the head flange shall be permanently recorded.
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## 3.6.A &amp; 4.6.A BASES (Cont'd)

Operating limits on the reactor pressure and temperature were developed after consideration of Section III of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and Appendix G to 10 CFR Part 50. These considerations involved the reactor vessel beltline and certain areas of discontinuity (e.g. feedwater nozzles and vessel head flange). These operating limits (Figures 3.6.1, 3.6.2 and 3.6.3) assure that a postulated surface flaw can be safely accommodated. Figure 3.6.3 includes an additional 40° F margin required by 10 CFR 50 Appendix G.

The fracture toughness of the vessel low alloy steel in the core region, referred to as beltline, gradually decreases with exposure to neutrons, and it is necessary to account for this change. Regulatory Guide 1.99, Revision 2 provides methods for predicting decreased fracture toughness, in terms of shift in reference temperature of nil-ductility (RT<sub>NDT</sub>). Generic methods are used until two surveillance capsules are removed and tested, at which time the surveillance test results may be used to develop plant-specific relationships of RT<sub>NDT</sub> shift versus fluence.

Three capsules of neutron flux wires and samples of vessel material were installed in the reactor vessel adjacent to the vessel wall at the core midplane level. The first capsule of wires and samples was removed and tested in 1989 to experimentally verify the irradiation shift in RT<sub>NDT</sub> predicted by Regulatory Guide 1.99, Revision 2 methods. The results of the testing are documented in GE Report SASR 90-50 of DRF B11-00494. The results of vessel material testing will not be factored into Figures 3.6.1, 3.6.2 and 3.6.3 until the second capsule is tested. However, the flux wire results were used to predict the design fluence (valid to 32 effective full power years (EFPY)).

The flux wire test results provide the flux at one location in the vessel. The flux distribution can be determined analytically from the core physics data. The ratio of the flux at the peak vessel location to that at the flux wire location, known as the lead factor, was calculated to relate the flux wire test results to the maximum value for the vessel. In developing Figures 3.6.1, 3.6.2 and 3.6.3, the shift predicted by Regulatory Guide 1.99, Revision 2 methods for 32 EFPY of fluence was taken into account. However, in comparing the beltline operating limits (with 32 EFPY shift) to the feedwater nozzle limits, it was determined that the feedwater nozzle was more limiting. Since the feedwater nozzles do not experience significant changes in fracture toughness due to irradiation, the pressure-temperature limits in Figures 3.6.1, 3.6.2 and 3.6.3 apply, without any RT<sub>NDT</sub> shifting, through 32 EFPY of operation.

As described in paragraph 4.2.5 of the Final Safety Analysis Report, detailed stress analyses have been made on the reactor vessel for both steady state and transient conditions with respect to material fatigue. The results of these transients are compared to allowable stress limits. Requiring the coolant temperature in an idle recirculation loop to be within 50° F of the operating loop temperature before a recirculation pump is started assures that the changes in coolant temperature at the reactor vessel nozzles and bottom head region are acceptable.



3.6.A & 4.6.A BASES (Cont'd)

The design basis event for protection from pressure in excess of vessel design pressure, as required by the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, is the closure of all MSIVs resulting in a high flux scram (the slowest indirect scram due to high pressure). The reactor vessel pressure Code limit of 1375 psig is well above the peak pressure produced by this most limiting overpressure event. This is discussed in more detail in Section 4.4.6 of the FSAR and GE safety analyses NEDE-24011-P-A.

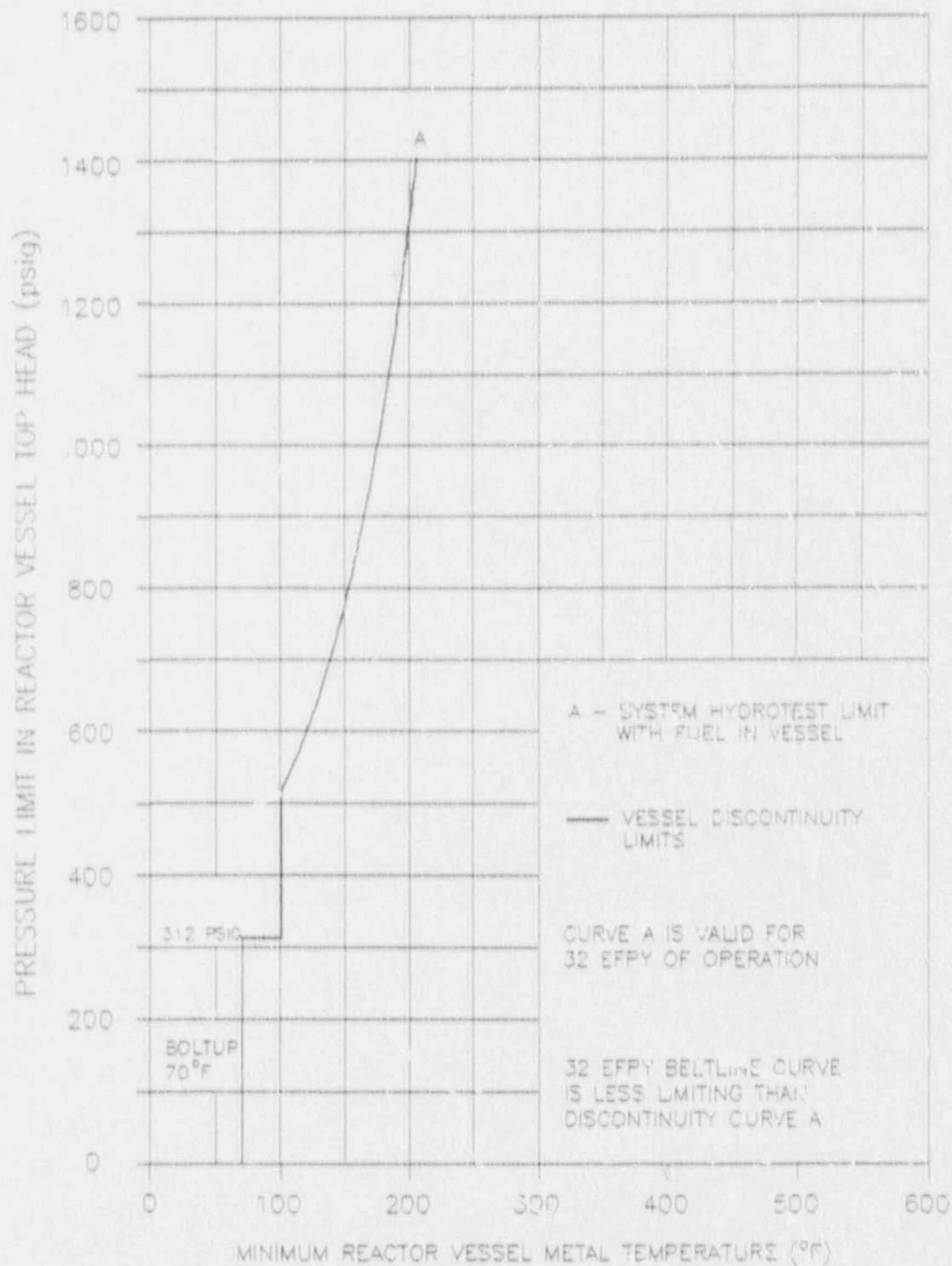


Figure 3.6.1 Peach Bottom 3 Minimum Temperature for Pressure Tests Such as Required by Section XI

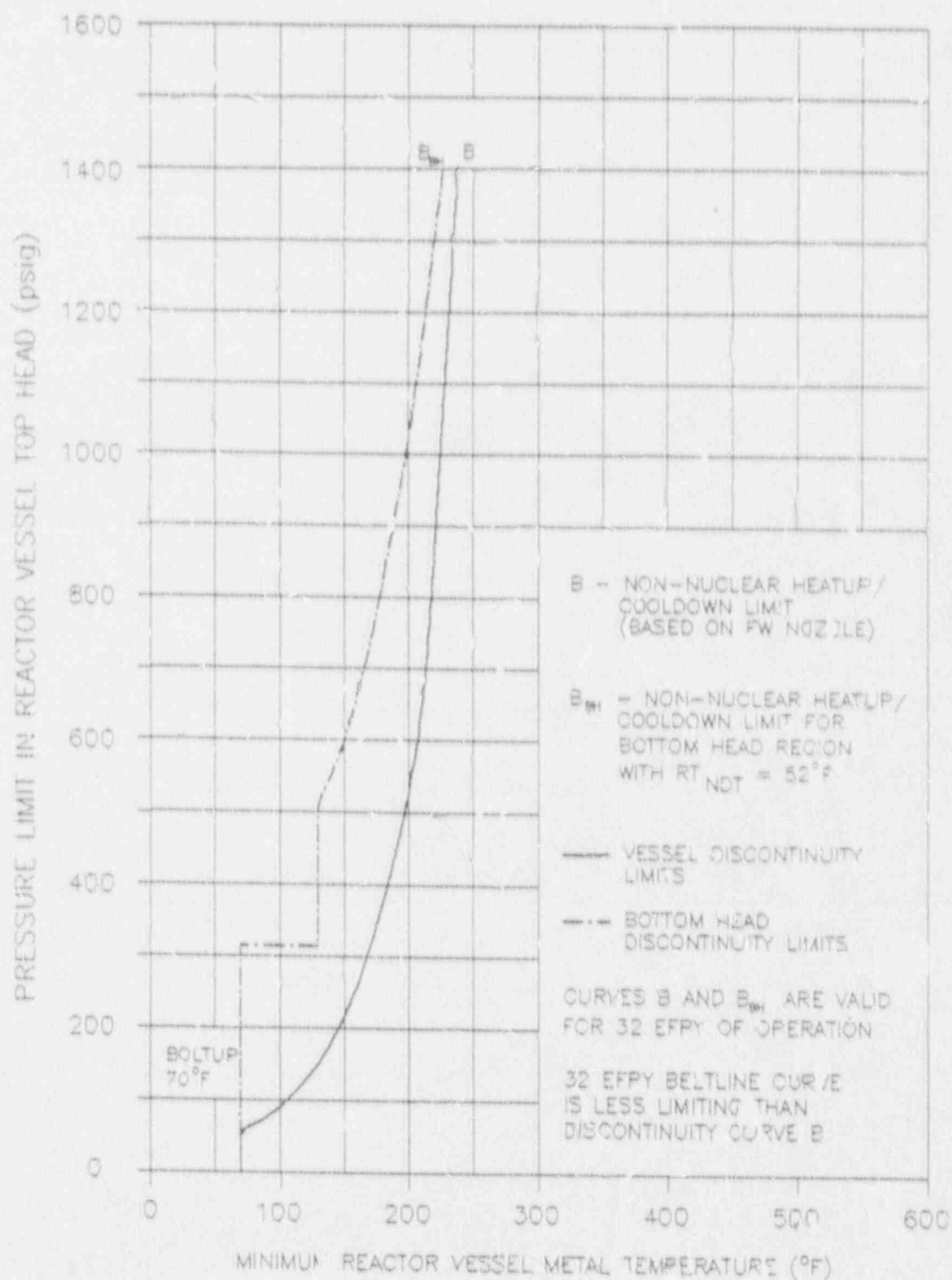


Figure 3.6.2 Peach Bottom 2 Minimum Temperature for Mechanical Heatup or Cool-down Following Nuclear Shutdown

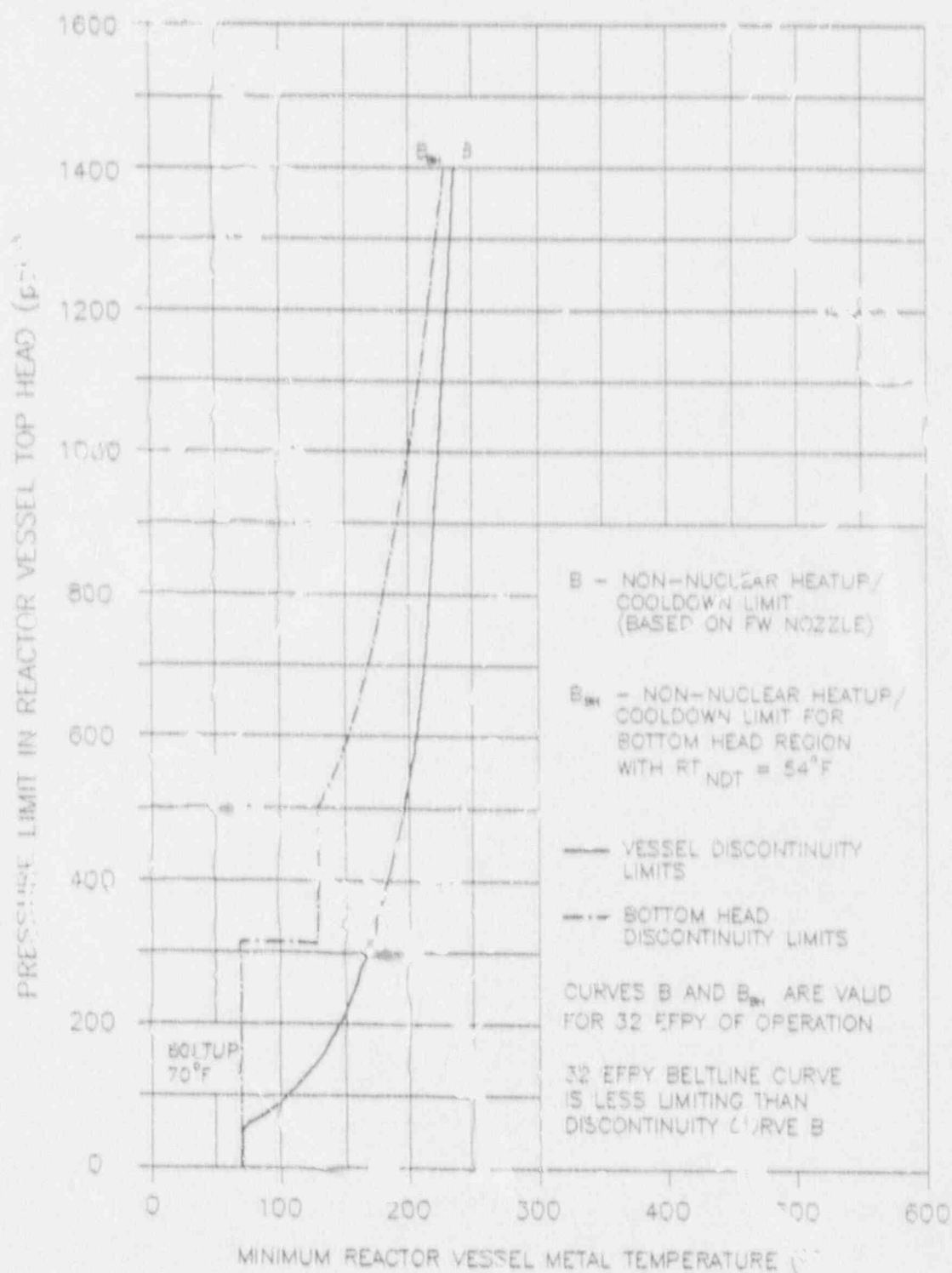


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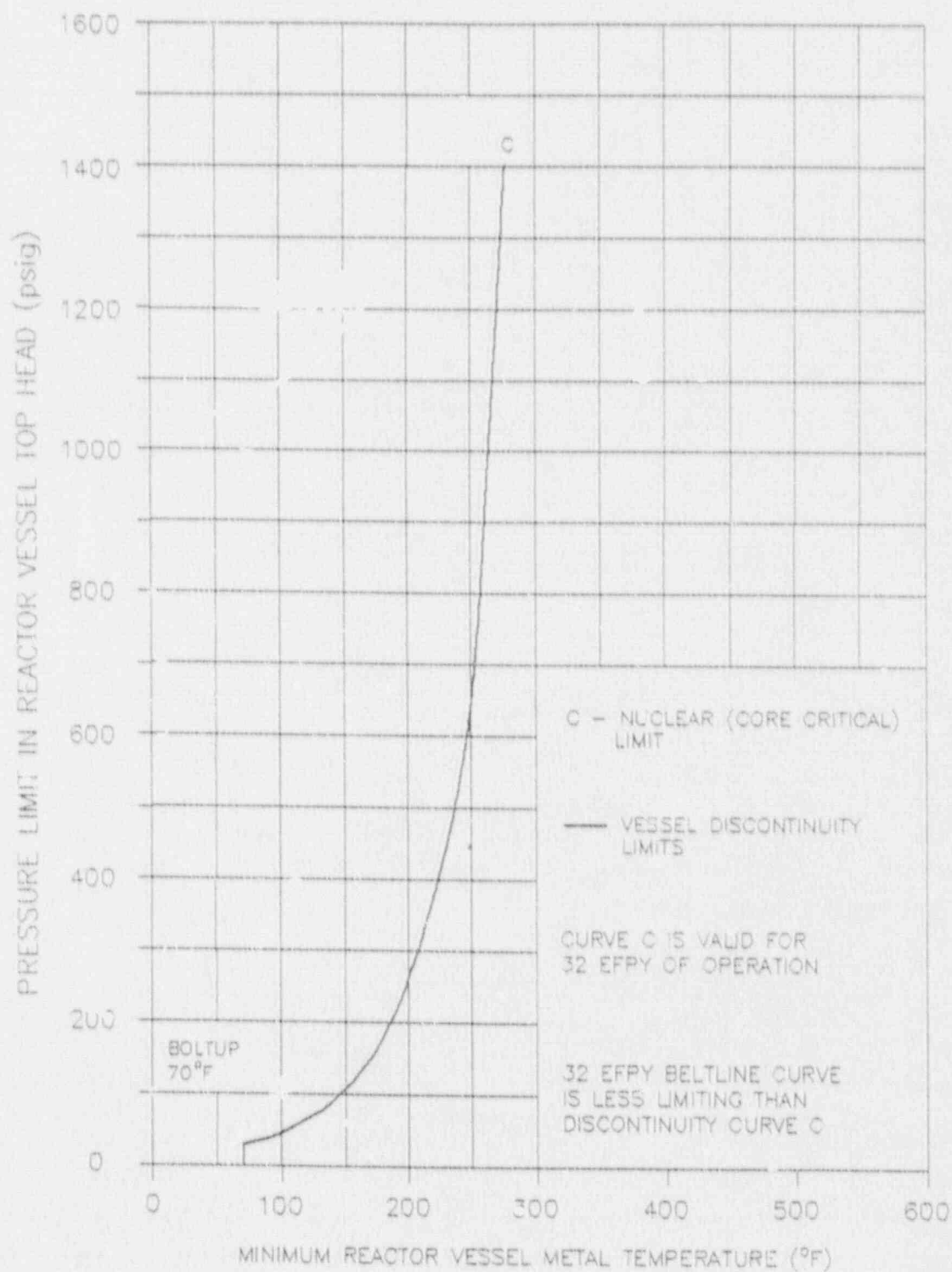


Figure 3.6.3 Peach Bottom 3 Minimum Temperature for Core Operation (Criticality)

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