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**CORE OPERATING LIMITS REPORT**

**FOR CYCLE 7**

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**I. INTRODUCTION**

This CORE OPERATING LIMITS REPORT (COLR) has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Waterford 3 Technical Specification 6.9.5 for Waterford 3 Cycle 7. The core operating limits have been developed using the NRC approved methodologies specified in Section IV. This is the initial issuance of the Cycle 7 COLR.

**II. AFFECTED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

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### III. CORE OPERATING LIMITS

The operating limits for the specifications listed are presented below:

1) **3.1.1.1 - Shutdown Margin - Any Full Length CEA Withdrawn**

The SHUTDOWN MARGIN shall be greater than or equal to 5.15%  $\Delta k/k$  when  $T_{avg}$  is greater than 200 °F or 2.0%  $\Delta k/k$  when  $T_{avg}$  is less than or equal to 200 °F.

2) **3.1.1.2 - Shutdown Margin - All Full Length CEA Fully Inserted**

The SHUTDOWN MARGIN shall be greater than or equal to that shown in Figure 1.

3) **3.1.1.3 - MODERATOR TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENT**

The Moderator Temperature Coefficient (MTC) shall be:

- a) Less positive than  $+0.5 \times 10^{-4} \Delta k/k/^\circ F$  whenever THERMAL POWER is  $\leq 70\%$  of RATED THERMAL POWER, and
- b) Less positive than  $0.0 \times 10^{-4} \Delta k/k/^\circ F$  whenever THERMAL POWER is  $> 70\%$  of RATED THERMAL POWER, and
- c) Less negative than  $-3.3 \times 10^{-4} \Delta k/k/^\circ F$  at all levels of THERMAL POWER.

4) **3.1.2.9 - BORON DILUTION**

**Limiting Condition for Operation**

With one or both start-up channel high neutron flux alarms inoperable, do not operate the plant in the configurations prohibited by Table 1 through 5 for the current Mode.

**Action**

With one or both start-up channel high neutron flux alarms inoperable, the RCS boron concentration shall be determined at the applicable monitoring frequency specified in Tables 1 through 5.

**Surveillance Requirements**

Each required boron dilution alarm shall be adjusted to less than or equal to twice (2x) the existing neutron flux (cps) at the following frequencies:

- a. At least once per 5 hours if the reactor has been shut down less than 25 hours;

- b. At least once per 24 hours if the reactor has been shut down greater than or equal to 25 hours but less than 7 days;
- c. At least once per 7 days if the reactor has been shut down greater than or equal to 7 days.

5) **3.1.3.1 - MOVABLE CONTROL ASSEMBLIES - CEA POSITION**

With one or more full-length or part-length CEAs trippable but misaligned from any other CEAs in its group by more than the Technical Specification 3.1.3.1 allowed value, operation in Modes 1 and 2 may continue, provided that core power is reduced in accordance with Figure 2.

6) **3.1.3.6 - REGULATING CEA INSERTION LIMITS**

The regulating CEA groups shall be limited to the withdrawal sequence and to the insertion limits shown on Figure 3.

7) **3.1.3.7 - PART LENGTH CEA INSERTION LIMITS**

The part length CEA group shall be limited to the insertion limits shown on Figure 4.

8) **3.2.1 - LINEAR HEAT RATE**

The linear heat rate shall be maintained:

- a. Within the region of acceptable operation of Figure 5.
- b. Within the region of acceptable operation of Figure 6, when COLSS is out of service.

9) **3.2.3 - AZIMUTHAL POWER TILT-  $T_q$**

The measured AZIMUTHAL POWER TILT shall be maintained  $\leq 0.03$ .

10) **3.2.4 - DNBR MARGIN**

The DNBR limit shall be maintained by one of the following methods:

- a) When COLSS is in service and neither CEAC is operable: maintain COLSS calculated core power less than or equal to COLSS calculated core power operating limit based on DNBR decreased by 13% RATED THERMAL POWER.
- b) When COLSS is out of service and at least one CEAC is operable: operate within the Region of Acceptable Operation shown on Figure 7, using any operable CPC channel.
- c) When COLSS is out of service and neither CEAC is operable: operate within the Region of Acceptable Operation shown on Figure 8, using any operable CPC channel.

#### 11) 3.2.7 - AXIAL SHAPE INDEX

The AXIAL SHAPE INDEX (ASI) shall be maintained within the following limits:

##### **COLSS OPERABLE**

$-0.22 \leq \text{ASI} \leq +0.27$  for THERMAL POWERS  $\geq 70\%$  of RATED THERMAL POWER

$-0.27 \leq \text{ASI} \leq +0.27$  for THERMAL POWERS  $< 70\%$  of RATED THERMAL POWER

##### **COLSS Out of Service**

$-0.17 \leq \text{ASI} \leq +0.22$  for THERMAL POWERS  $\geq 70\%$  of RATED THERMAL POWER

$-0.22 \leq \text{ASI} \leq +0.22$  for THERMAL POWERS  $< 70\%$  of RATED THERMAL POWER

#### 12) 3.9.1 - BORON CONCENTRATION

While in Mode 6, the RCS boron concentration shall be maintained sufficient to ensure that the more restrictive of the following reactivity conditions is met:

- a. Either  $K_{\text{eff}}$  of 0.95 or less, or
- b. A boron concentration of greater than or equal to 1720 ppm.

#### IV. METHODOLOGIES

The analytical methods used to determine the core operating limits listed above are those previously reviewed and approved by the NRC in:

1. "The ROCS and DIT Computer Codes for Nuclear Design," CENPD-266-P-A, April 1983; and "C-E Methodology for Core Designs Containing Gadolinia-Urania Burnable Absorber," CENPD-275-P-A, May 1988. Methodology for the limit on Shutdown Margins, MTC, and the Regulating CEA Insertion Limits.
2. "C-E Method for Control Element Assembly Ejection Analysis," CENPD-0190-A, January 1976. Methodology for the Regulating CEA Insertion Limits and Azimuthal Power Tilt.
3. "Modified Statistical Combination of Uncertainties" CEN-356(V)-P-A, May 1988, Methodology for the limits on the DNBR Margin and the ASI.
4. "Calculative Methods for the C-E Large Break LOCA Calculation Model For The Analysis of C-E and W Designed NSSS," CENPD-132, Supplement 3-P-A, June 1985. Methodology for the limits on the MTC, Linear Heat Rate, Azimuthal Power Tilt and ASI.
5. "Calculative Methods for the C-E Small Break LOCA Evaluation Model," CENPD-137-P, August 1974; Supplement 1, January 1977. Methodology for the limits on the MTC, Linear Heat Rate, Azimuthal Power Tilt and ASI.
6. "CESEC - Digital Simulation of a Combustion Engineering Nuclear Steam Supply System", CENPD-107, December 1981. Methodology for the limits on the Shutdown Margins, MTC, Movable Control Assemblies - CEA Position, Regulating CEA Insertion Limits, Part Length CEA Insertion Limits and Azimuthal Power Tilt.

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### Shutdown Margin as a Function of Cold Leg Temperature

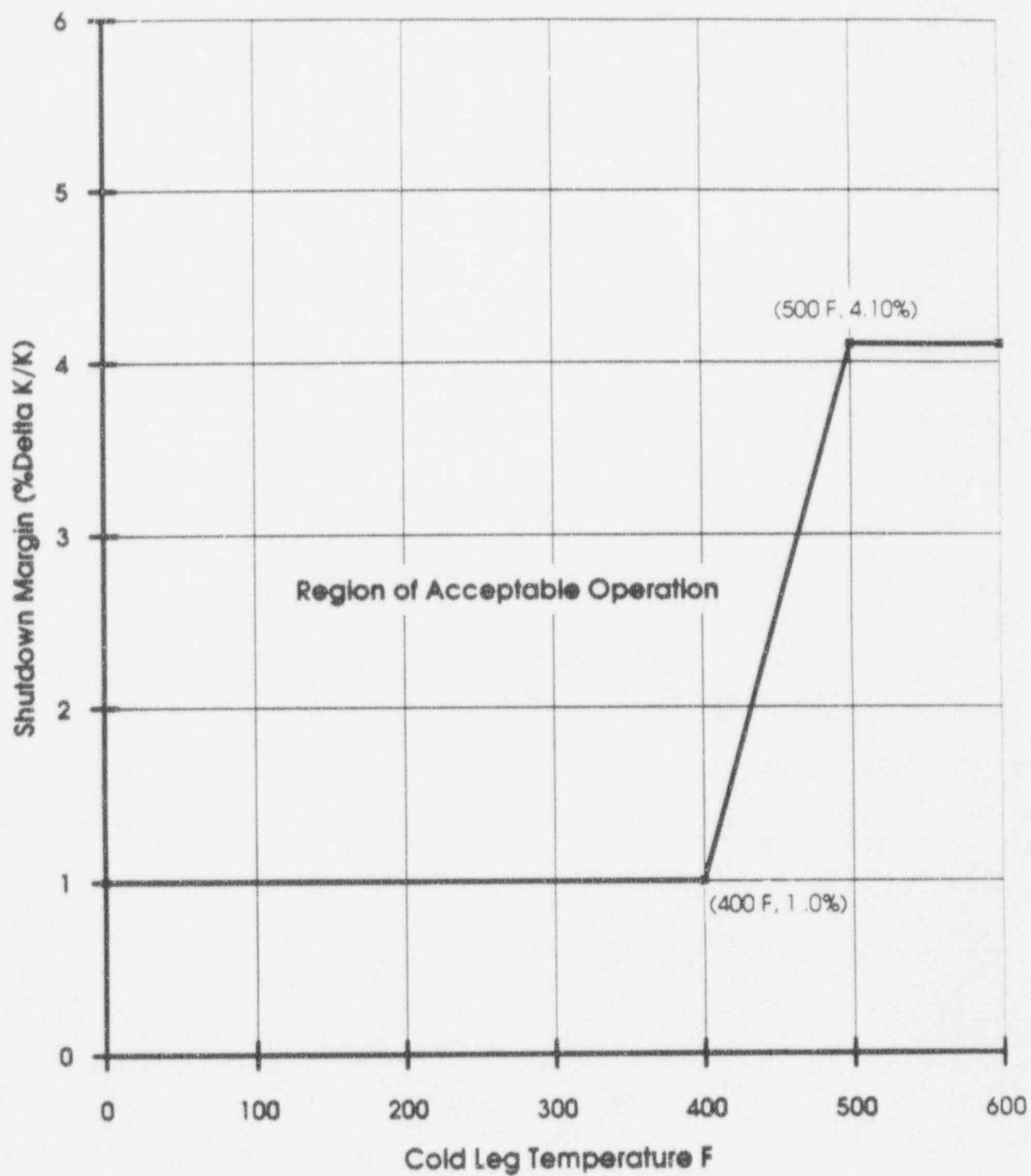
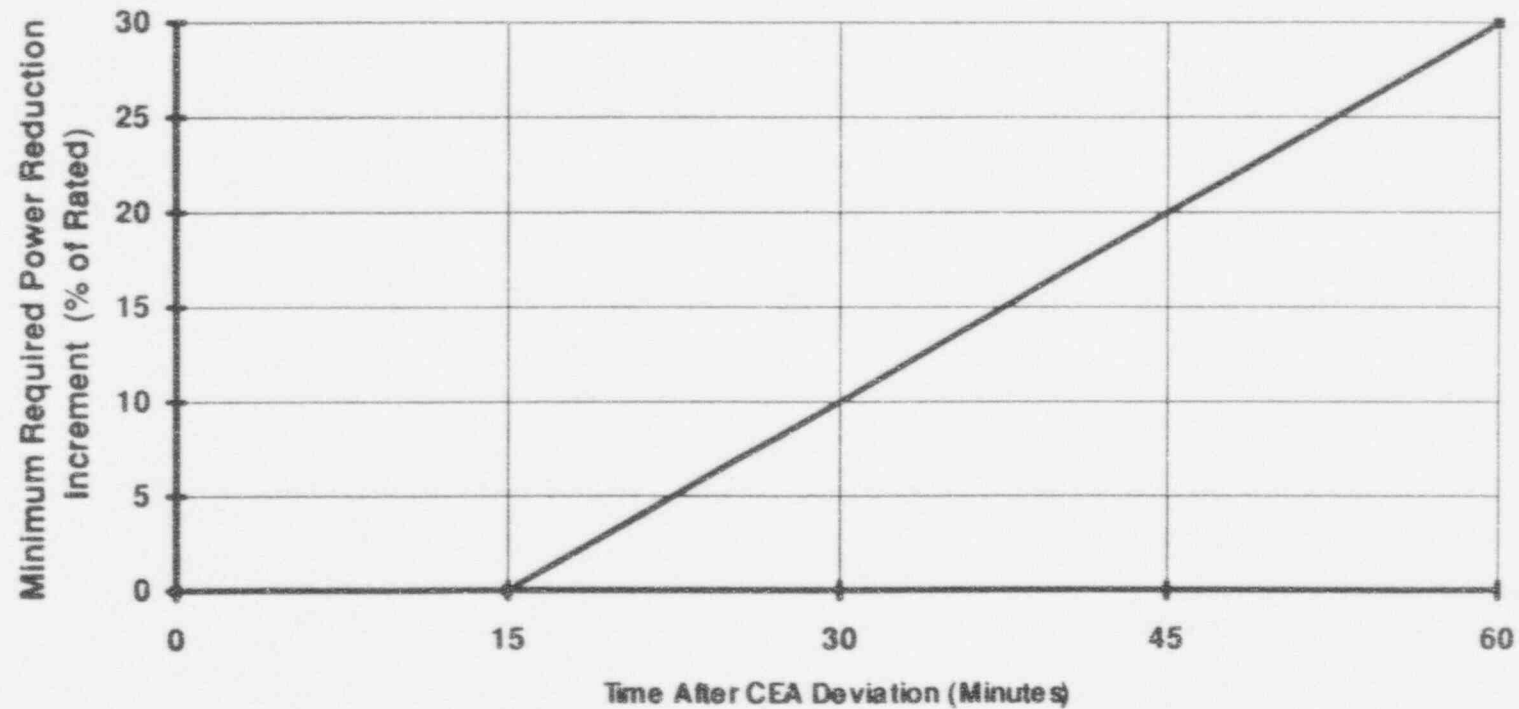


Figure 1

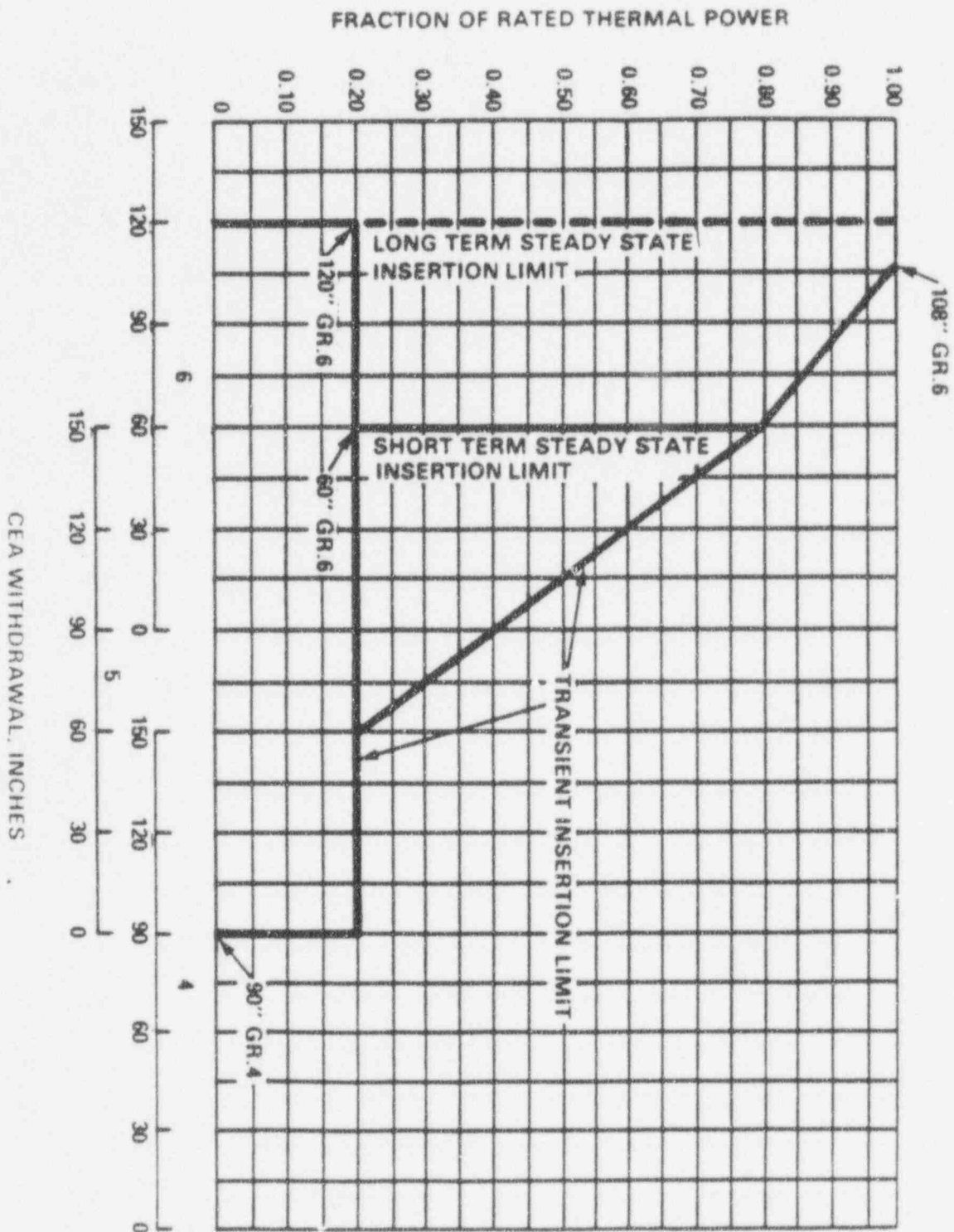
## Required Power Reduction After Single CEA Deviation\*



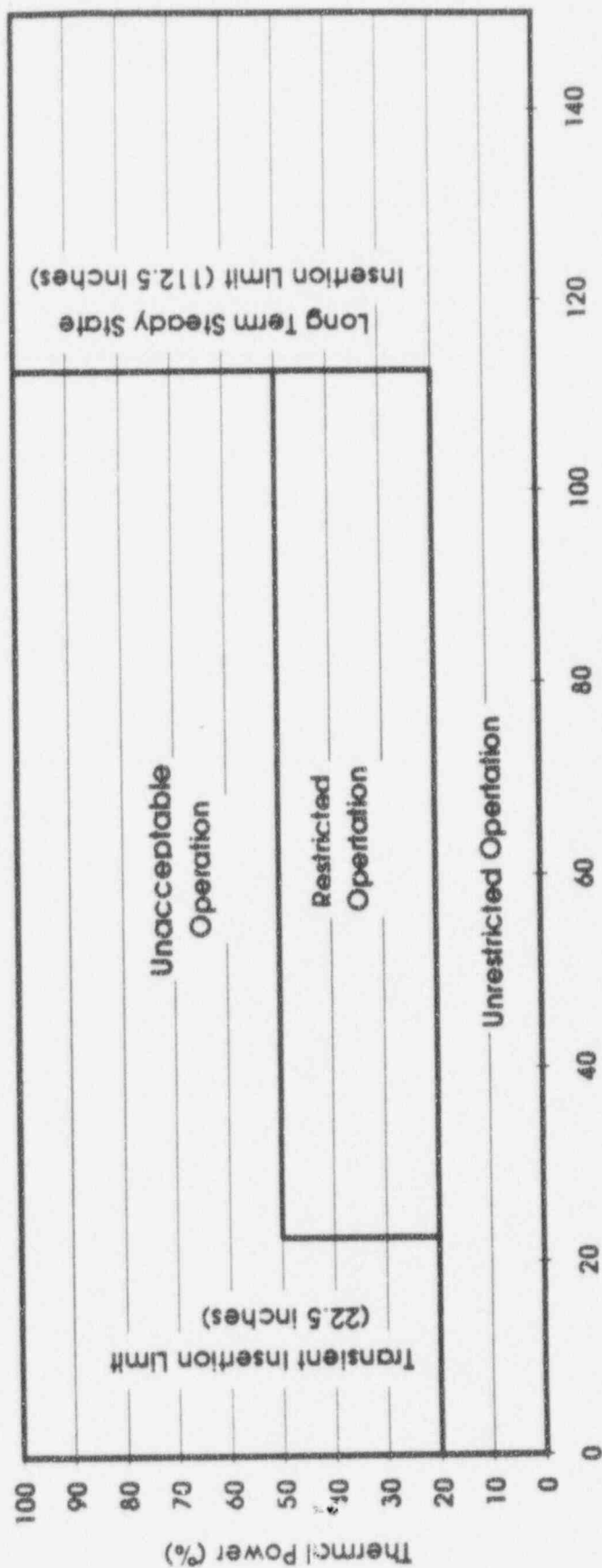
\*When core power is reduced to 60% of rated power per this limit curve, further reduction is not required by this specification

Figure 2

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 CEA INSERTION LIMITS VS THERMAL POWER



# Part Length CEA Insertion Limit vs Thermal Power



Part Length CEA Position (Inches Withdrawn)

Figure 4

# Allowable Peak Linear Heat Rate vs Tc

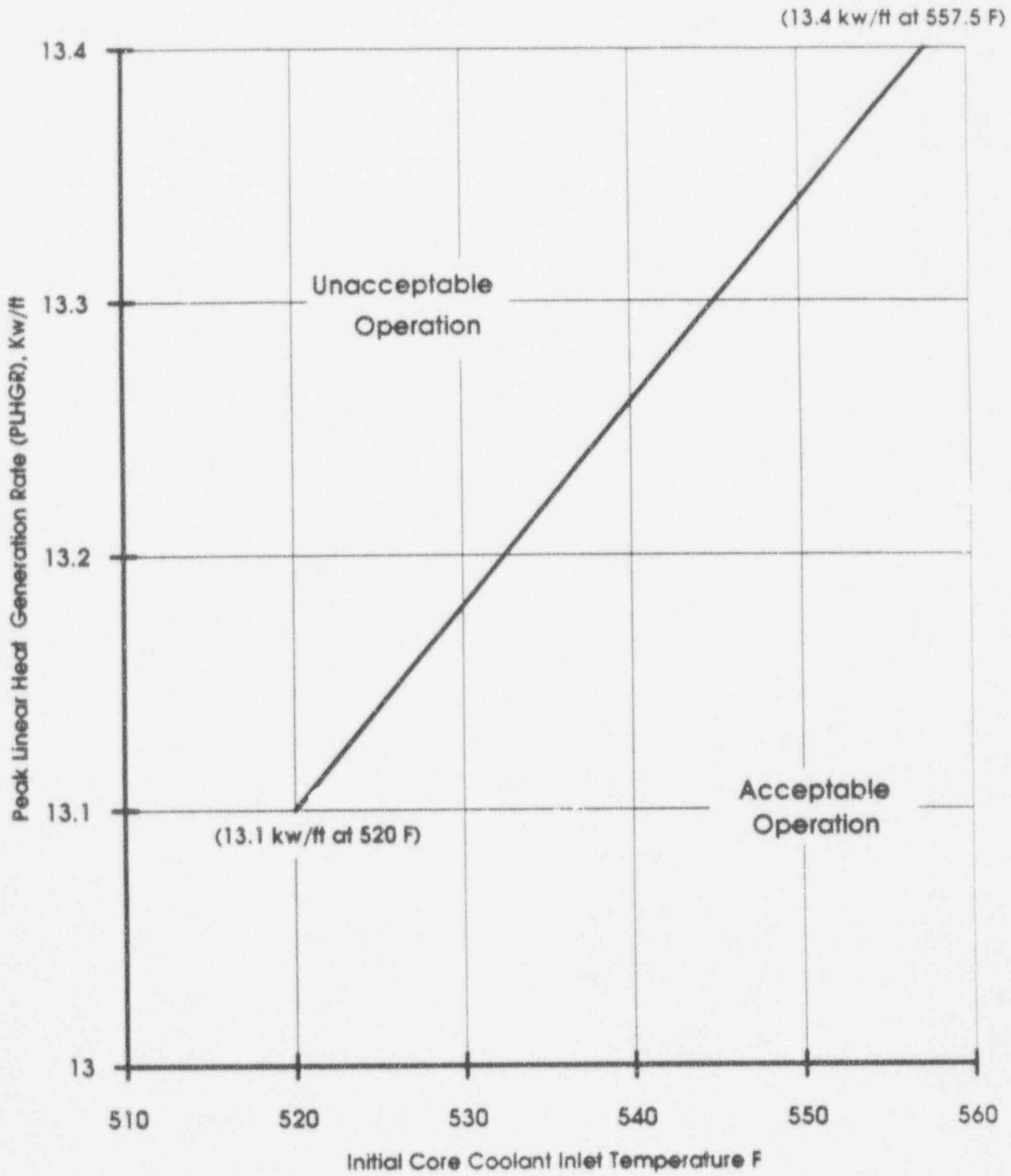


Figure 5

## Allowable Peak Linear Heat Rate vs Tc For COLSS out of Service

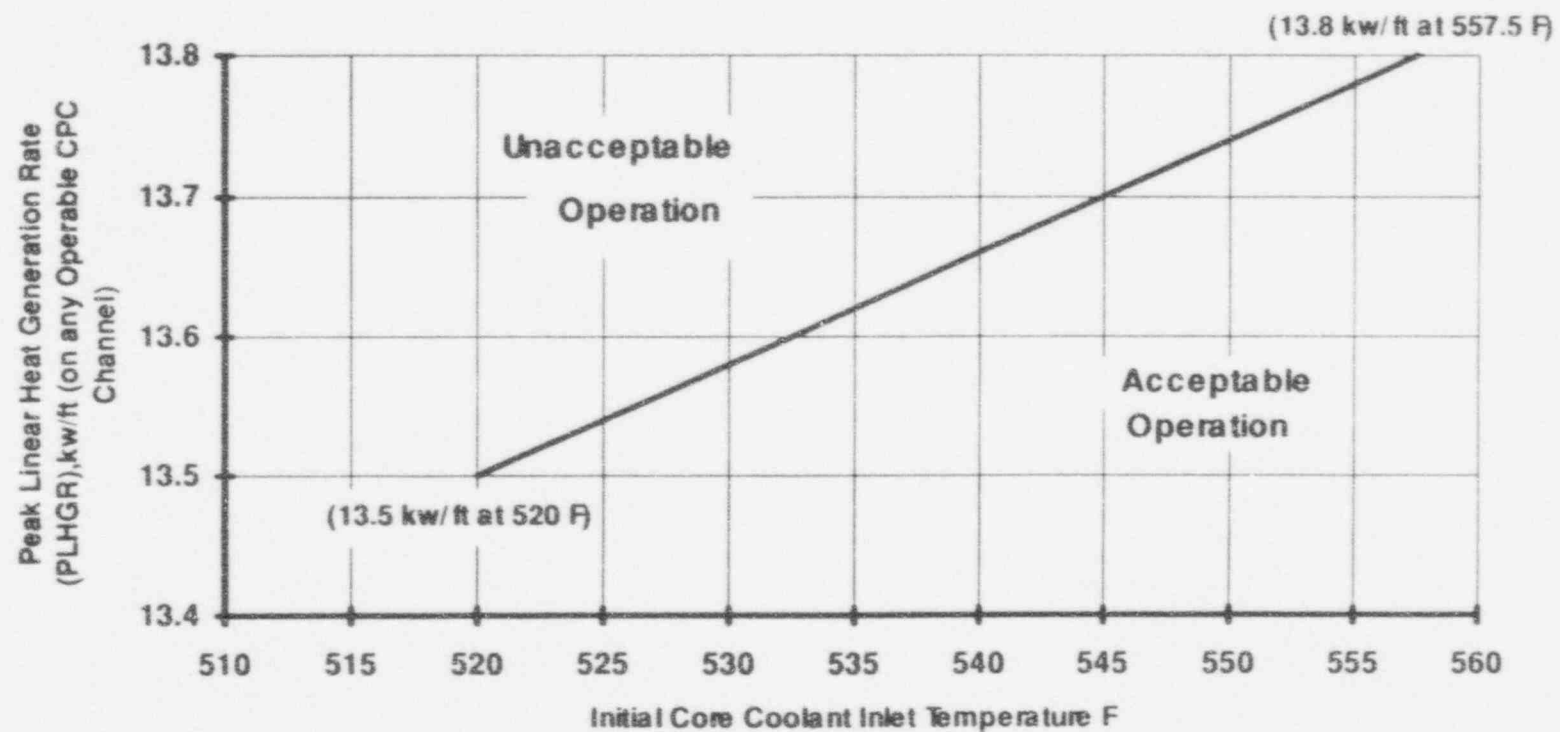
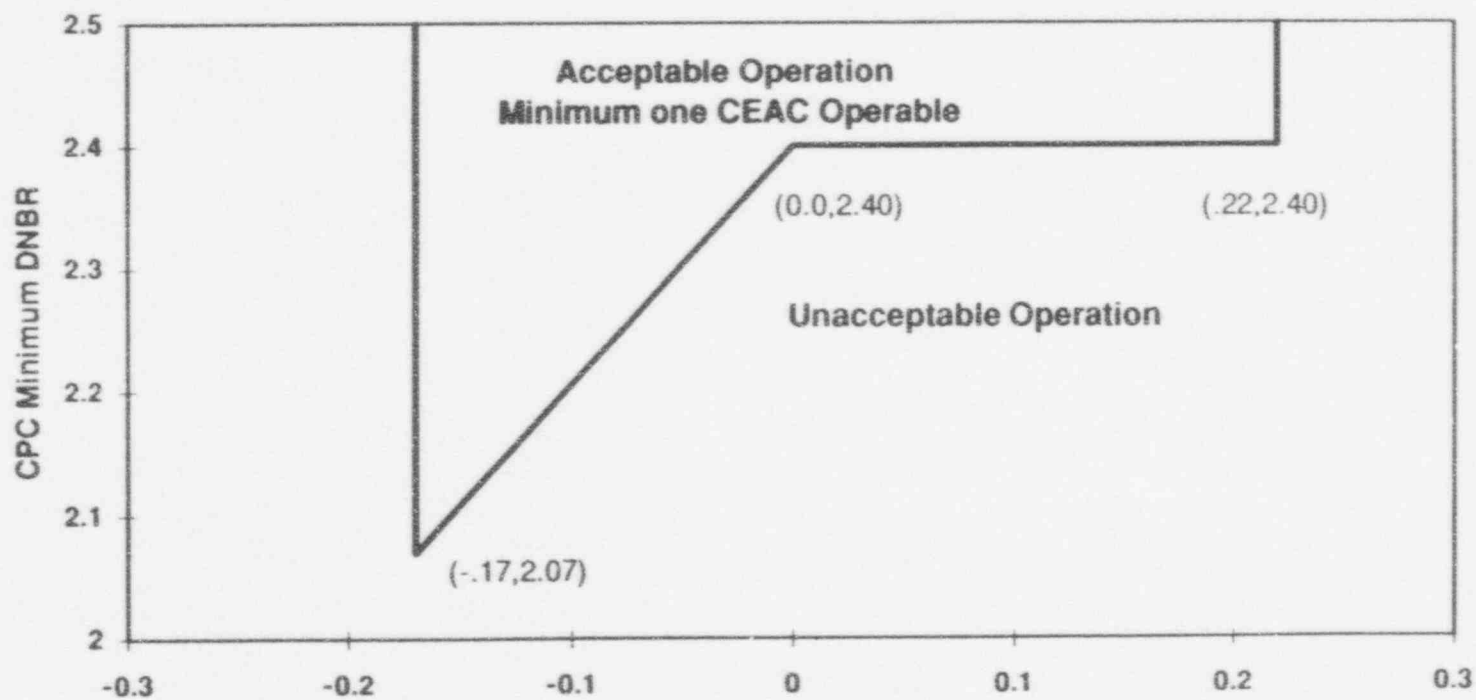


Figure 6

## COLSS Out of Service DNBR Limit Line



Core Average ASI  
Figure 7

DNBR Margin Operating Limit Based on CPCs  
(COLSS out of Service, CEACs Operable)

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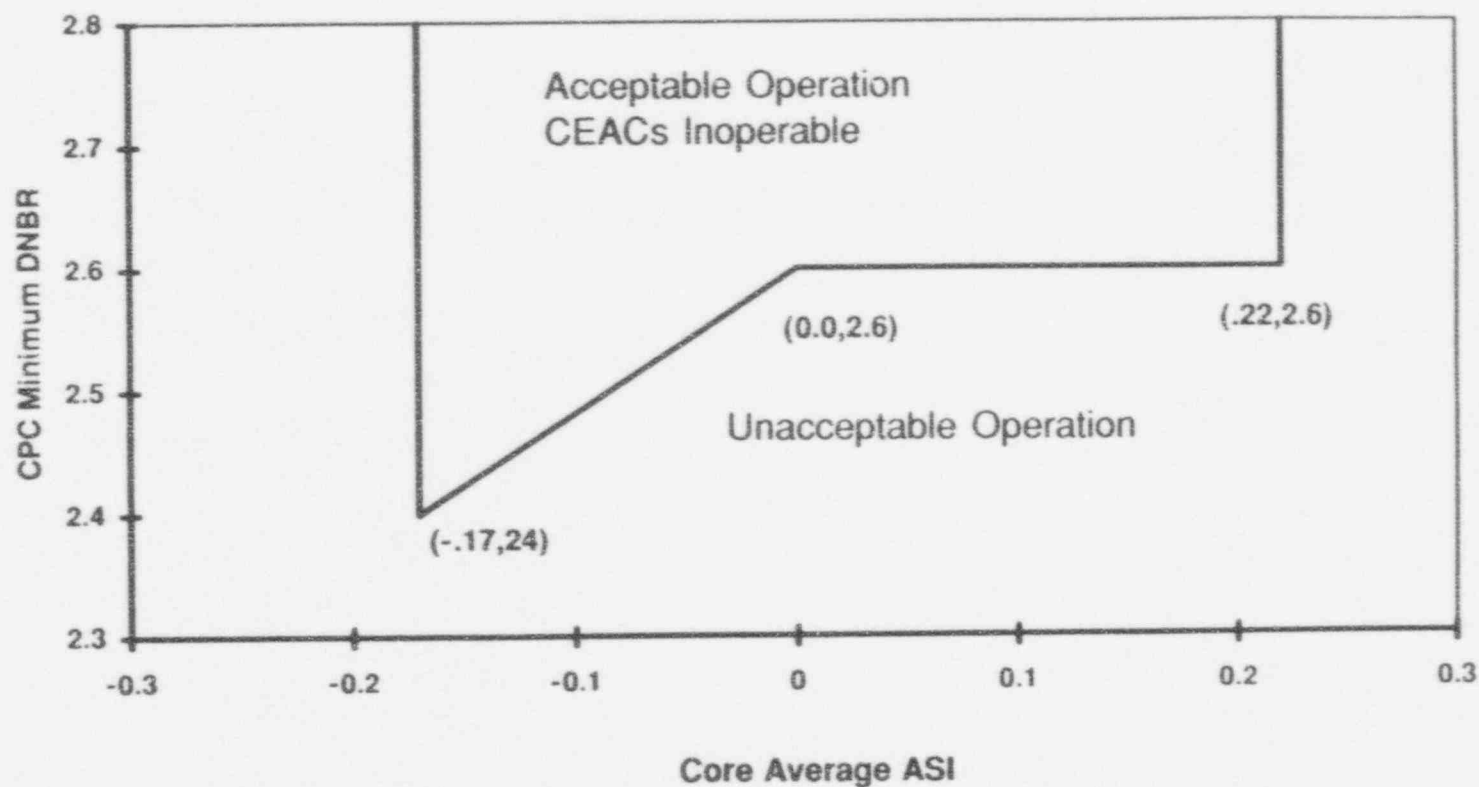


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TABLE 1  
REQUIRED MONITORING FREQUENCIES FOR BACKUP BORON  
DILUTION DETECTION AS A FUNCTION OF OPERATING  
CHARGING PUMPS AND PLANT OPERATIONAL MODES FOR  
 $K_{eff}$  GREATER-THAN 0.98

$K_{eff} > 0.98$

OPERATIONAL MODE	<u>Number of Operating Charging Pumps</u> *			
	0	1	2	3
3	12 hours	0.75 hours	Operation not allowed **	
4	12 hours	Operation not allowed **		
5 RCS filled	8 hours	Operation not allowed **		
5 RCS partially drained	8 hours	Operation not allowed **		
6	Operation not allowed **			

\* Charging pump OPERABILITY for any period of time shall constitute OPERABILITY for the entire monitoring frequency.

\*\* The precluded number of charging pumps shall be verified to be inoperable by racking out their motor circuit breakers.

TABLE 2

REQUIRED MONITORING FREQUENCIES FOR BACKUP BORON  
DILUTION DETECTION AS A FUNCTION OF OPERATING  
CHARGING PUMPS AND PLANT OPERATIONAL MODES FOR  
 $K_{eff}$  GREATER THAN 0.97 AND LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.98

$$0.98 \geq K_{eff} > 0.97$$

OPERATIONAL MODE	Number of Operating Charging Pumps*			
	0	1	2	3
3	12 hours	2.0 hours	0.5 hours	Operation not allowed**
4	12 hours	0.75 hours	Operation not allowed**	
5 RCS filled	8 hours	1.0 hours	Operation not allowed**	
5 RCS partially drained	8 hours	0.75 hours	Operation not allowed**	
6		Operation not allowed**		

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\*\* The precluded number of charging pumps shall be verified to be inoperable by racking out their motor circuit breakers.

TABLE 3

REQUIRED MONITORING FREQUENCIES FOR BACKUP BORON  
DILUTION DETECTION AS A FUNCTION OF OPERATING  
CHARGING PUMPS AND PLANT OPERATIONAL MODES FOR  
 $K_{eff}$  GREATER-THAN 0.96 AND LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.97

$$0.97 \geq K_{eff} > 0.96$$

OPERATIONAL MODE	<u>Number of Operating Charging Pumps</u> *			
	0	1	2	3
3	12 hours	3.0 hours	1.25 hours	0.5 hours
4	12 hours	1.5 hours	0.5 hours	Operation not allowed**
5	8 hours	1.5 hours	0.5 hours	Operation not allowed**
RCS filled				
5	8 hours	0.75 hours	Operation not allowed**	
RCS partially drained				
6	Operation not allowed**			

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TABLE 4

REQUIRED MONITORING FREQUENCIES FOR BACKUP BORON  
DILUTION DETECTION AS A FUNCTION OF OPERATING  
CHARGING PUMPS AND PLANT OPERATIONAL MODES FOR  
 $K_{\text{eff}}$  GREATER-THAN 0.95 AND LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.96

$$0.96 \geq K_{\text{eff}} > 0.95$$

OPERATIONAL MODE	<u>Number of Operating Charging Pumps</u> *			
	0	1	2	3
3	12 hours	4.0 hours	2.0 hours	1.0 hours
4	12 hours	2.25 hours	0.75 hours	Operation not allowed**
5 RCS filled	8 hours	2.5 hours	0.75 hours	Operation not allowed**
5 RCS partially drained	8 hours	2.0 hours	0.5 hours	Operation not allowed**
6	Operation not allowed**			

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TABLE 5

REQUIRED MONITORING FREQUENCIES FOR BACKUP BORON  
DILUTION DETECTION AS A FUNCTION OF OPERATING  
CHARGING PUMPS AND PLANT OPERATIONAL MODES FOR  
 $K_{\text{eff}}$  LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.95

$$K_{\text{eff}} \leq 0.95$$

OPERATIONAL MODE	<u>Number of Operating Charging Pumps*</u>			
	0	1	2	3
3	12 hours	5.0 hours	2.0 hours	1.0 hours
4	12 hours	3.0 hours	1.0 hours	0.5 hours
5	8 hours	3.0 hours	1.25 hours	0.5 hours
RCS filled				
5	8 hours	2.75 hours	1.0 hours	Operation not allowed**
RCS partially drained				
6	24 hours	2.25 hours	0.75 hours	Operation not allowed**

\* Charging pump OPERABILITY for any period of time shall constitute OPERABILITY for the entire monitoring frequency.

\*\* The precluded number of charging pumps shall be verified to be inoperable by racking out their motor circuit breakers.