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Attachment 3

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 1

Proposed Technical Specifications Revision
Response Time Testing

Marked-up Version of Current Technical Specifications

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IMMEDIATE means that the required action will be initiated as soon as practicable considering the safe operation of the unit and the importance of the required action.

E. Instrument Calibration

An INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION means the adjustment of an instrument signal output so that it corresponds, within acceptable range, accuracy and response time, to a known value(s) of the parameter which the instrument monitors. Calibration shall encompass the entire instrument including actuation, alarm or trip.

F. Instrument Functional Test

An INSTRUMENT FUNCTIONAL TEST means the injection of a simulated signal into the instrument primary sensor to verify the proper instrument channel response, alarm, and/or initiating action.

G. Instrument Check

An INSTRUMENT CHECK is qualitative determination of operability by observation of behavior during operation. This determination shall include, where possible, comparison of the instrument with other independent instruments measuring the same variable.

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An INSTRUMENT or CHANNEL FUNCTIONAL TEST shall be the injection of a simulated or actual signal into the channel as close to the sensor as practicable to verify OPERABILITY, including all components in the channel, such as alarms, interlocks, displays, and trip functions, required to perform the specified safety function(s). The INSTRUMENT or CHANNEL FUNCTIONAL TEST may be performed by means of any series of sequential, overlapping, or total channel steps so that the entire channel is tested.

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00. Supplemental Reload Licensing Submittal

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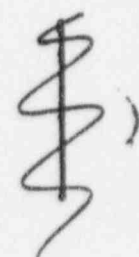
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QQ. Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

The LINEAR HEAT GENERATION RATE (LHGR) shall be applicable to a specific rod at a specific height and is equal to the heat generation rate per unit length for the specific rod at that specific height.

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SS. Reactor Protection System (RPS) Logic Response Time

The RPS LOGIC RESPONSE TIME shall be that time interval from the opening of the sensor contact up to and including the de-energization of the scram pilot valve solenoids.

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LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.1 REACTOR PROTECTION SYSTEM

Applicability:

Applies to the instrumentation and associated devices which initiate a reactor scram and provide automatic isolation of the Reactor Protection System buses from their power supplies.

Objective:

To assure the operability of the Reactor Protection System.

Specification:

A. The setpoints, minimum number of trip systems, and minimum number of instrument channels that must be operable for each position of the reactor mode switch shall be as given in Table 3.1.1.

B. ~~Response Time~~ *NOT USED.*

~~The time from initiation of any channel trip to the de-energization of the scram solenoid relay shall not exceed 50 milliseconds.~~

C. Reactor Protection System Power Monitoring

Two RPS electric power monitoring channels for each inservice RPS MG set, or alternate power supply, shall be operable at all times except as follows:

1. With one RPS electric power monitoring channel for an inservice RPS MG set or alternate power supply inoperable, restore the inoperable channel to OPERABLE status within 72 hours or remove the associated RPS MG set or alternate power supply from service.
2. With both RPS electric power monitoring channels for an inservice RPS MG set or alternate power supply inoperable, restore at least one to OPERABLE status within 30 minutes or remove the associated RPS MG set or alternate power supply from service.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENT

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SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENT (Continued)

4.1 REACTOR PROTECTION SYSTEM

Objective:

To specify the type and frequency of surveillance to be applied to the reactor protection instrumentation.

Specification:

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- B. Daily during reactor power operation, the maximum fraction of limiting power density shall be checked and the APRM scram and rod block settings given by the equations in Specifications 2.1.2A and 2.1.2B shall be determined to be valid.
- C. The RPS electrical protection assemblies shall be determined operable as follows:
 1. At least once per 6 months by performance of a CHANNEL FUNCTIONAL TEST, and
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 - a. Over-voltage \leq (132)VAC,
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 - d. Time-delay \leq (4.0) seconds.
- D. When the reactor mode switch is in REFUEL or SHUTDOWN and fuel is in the reactor vessel, no trip functions are required to be operable provided that all control rods are fully inserted, and either electrically or hydraulically disarmed. Thereafter, daily surveillance shall be performed to verify that all control rods remain valved out or electrically disarmed.

Verify the RPS LOGIC:

RESPONSE TIME for each trip function listed below is within limits at least once every OPERATING CYCLE.

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