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NRC Brief on ANO-2 2R30 Nozzle 71 Half Nozzle Repair





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Problem Statement

During performance of the RVCH inspection in accordance with Code Case N-729-6 and Relief Request ANO2-ISI-022, an indication was found on Control Element Drive Mechanism (CEDM) Penetration 71.

A manual surface examination using Liquid Penetrant (PT) was performed in an attempt to establish surface connectivity.



Nozzle 71 Location

- Outermost Row
- 49.6° angle of incidence
- No fabrication flaws or special interest indications previously noted on CEDM 71 at this location





Nozzle 71 Indication

- Bare metal visual on top of head No visible leakage
- Clean UT leak path assessment
- Clean Eddy Current from tube ID
- UT indication 0.44" long by 0.195" deep in tube on downhill side located along the top of the J weld
- *Clean Eddy current on J weld surface and tube OD (augmented exam)



Penetration Tube/J-weld Repair Diagram

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| Indication Axial Start (L1) | Indication Axial End (L2) | J-Weld Start (L3) | J-Weld End (L4) | Indication Degree Location* | Depth of Indication into Tube Wall (from tube OD) | Comments |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 2.58″ | 3.02" | 1.31″ | 2.78″ | 2° | 0.195"** in the tube wall | Axial Indication on Downhill Side |



Evaluation

- Rapid appearance and growth suggested PWSCC
- Fatigue crack considered but concluded to be unsupported
- Potential surface connection using PT
- Undetected growth of cracks thru welds supported by internal OE at Indian Point 2 in 2018

Decision made to proceed with half nozzle repair with Framatome





Half-Nozzle Repair



- No significant change in the repair process, except roto-peening will not be performed for this repair.
- To address this, Entergy will provide:
 - a. The highest weld residual plus operating stress through-wall profile of the nozzle adjacent to the weld and the rolled-expanded regions.
 - b. The estimated crack growth rate for the rollexpanded region.
 - c. The hydrogen concentration expected during the next cycle of operation.



Project Schedule

| Milestone | Target Date |
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| Request Submitted | 10/20/2024 |
| Request Authorization | 10/22/2024 |
| Field Work Completed | 10/22/2024 |
| Return to Service | 10/24/2024 |
| One-Cycle Justification Analyses | Within 14 Days After Startup |
| "Life of Repair" Analyses | Prior to 2R31 (2 nd Quarter 2026) |



Questions?

