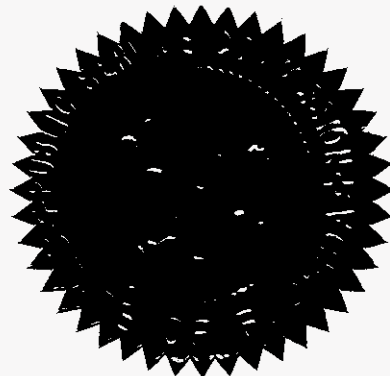


BEFORE THE
FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 100437-EI

In the Matter of:

EXAMINATION OF THE OUTAGE AND
REPLACEMENT FUEL/POWER COSTS
ASSOCIATED WITH THE CR3 STEAM
GENERATOR REPLACEMENT PROJECT,
BY PROGRESS ENERGY FLORIDA, INC.



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2 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Good afternoon. I'd
3 like to call this status conference to order.

4 Staff, could you please read the notice.

5 **MR. YOUNG:** Good afternoon.

6 By notice issued January 19th, 2011, this time
7 and place was set for a status conference in Docket
8 Number 100437-EI, in re, the examination of the outage
9 and replacement fuel/power costs associated with the
10 CR-3 steam generator replacement project, by Progress
11 Energy Florida, Inc. The purpose of the status
12 conference is set out in the notice.

13 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Thank you. And now we
14 can take appearances. We'll start with Progress Energy
15 of Florida, and just go on down the line.

16 **MR. BURNETT:** Thank you, sir.

17 Good afternoon. John Burnett on behalf of
18 Progress Energy Florida. To my left I have Jon Franke,
19 which is the Vice-President of our Crystal River 3
20 facility, and our General Counsel, Alex Glenn.

21 **MS. KAUFMAN:** Good afternoon, Commissioner.

22 Vicki Gordon Kaufman. I'm with the law firm
23 of Keefe Anchors Gordon and Moyle, and I'm here on
24 behalf of the Florida Industrial Power Users Group.

25 **MR. REHWINKEL:** Good afternoon, Commissioner.

1 My name is Charles Rehwinkel with the Office of Public
2 Counsel.

3 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Thank you.

4 I understand we have Mr. Brew and Mr. Taylor
5 via teleconference. Just checking to see if they are on
6 board.

7 **MR. BREW:** Yes. James Brew and Alvin F.
8 Taylor for White Springs Agricultural Chemicals, and I
9 appreciate the opportunity to attend remotely.

10 **MR. YOUNG:** Commissioner, Keino Young, legal
11 staff.

12 **MS. HELTON:** And Mary Anne Helton, Advisor to
13 the Commission.

14 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Thank you.

15 Just a couple of comments about procedural
16 matters. We'll go on to Section 4 of the script. And
17 the primary purpose of this status conference is
18 basically to allow Progress Energy of Florida to provide
19 a detailed schedule, if you will, outlining the steps
20 required and appropriate milestones in order to bring
21 the Crystal River 3 Unit back into safe service.

22 There have been some questions about the
23 schedule of that, so what I want to do is call everyone
24 together, give you the opportunity to present
25 information detailing those steps that need to be taken,

1 and then allow the other parties to ask questions, and
2 then move forward and start discussing the schedule of
3 the hearing as we move forward.

4 Again, from a procedural standpoint, we will
5 allow a presentation from Progress Energy of Florida.
6 One thing I do want to note is I want this to be a
7 looking forward status conference. I don't want to
8 discuss anything that happened in the past, how we got
9 here. I think that will be handled in a future matter.
10 But now let's just look at what steps need to happen in
11 moving forward.

12 And I understand you do have a lengthy
13 presentation. I will request that if there are points
14 that we can start in this presentation that really from
15 a time standpoint is going forward, that would be
16 appreciated. But, of course, if there's other
17 information you would like to present, I'll allow you to
18 do that at this time.

19 **MR. REHWINKEL:** Commissioner Balbis, may I say
20 something before we proceed with the presentation by
21 Progress?

22 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Sure.

23 **MR. REHWINKEL:** From the Public Counsel's
24 standpoint, we appreciate the scheduling of this matter,
25 and we fully appreciate Progress Energy bringing their

1 station vice-president for Crystal River to make a
2 presentation. I'm on the record as being someone who
3 thinks quite highly of Mr. Franke, and I think he is a
4 good witness and does an excellent job.

5 My statement that I'm about to make to you has
6 nothing to do with his testimony here or in any other
7 matter, but we would just like to state for the record
8 that what you're going to hear is not evidence in this
9 matter, and it is purely for the purpose of making
10 scheduling decisions. And I think that your remarks
11 have already made that point, as well, but we just
12 wanted to state that for the record, that we have no
13 objections to the statements and the testimony that -- I
14 shouldn't say testimony -- that Mr. Franke is going
15 give, but we just want to remind folks, and state for
16 the record that this is purely for scheduling purposes,
17 and not in any way bearing on the evidence that will be
18 taken from here forward.

19 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Okay. Thank you.

20 And, again, I think everyone is clear that is
21 the purpose of this proceeding.

22 **MS. KAUFMAN:** Commissioner, if I might add
23 onto that, and a comment that you made earlier about
24 forward-looking. I have only just received this
25 presentation, and was helpfully pointed to the

1 scheduling part by Mr. Burnett. It looks like a lot of
2 the information prior to that does deal with what has
3 already happened in the past. And I know that you asked
4 for a status update, and I took that to mean going
5 forward, as well. So we would echo Public Counsel's
6 comments, and suggest that if you think well of it that
7 the information to be discussed today would be where are
8 we now and what's going to happen in the future.
9 Because those other issues are going to, as you said, be
10 looked at in the hearing, whenever it is that we have
11 it. Thank you.

12 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Thank you. Any other
13 questions from parties and Staff?

14 **MR. BURNETT:** Commissioner Balbis?

15 Thank you, sir. I appreciate the comments
16 from counsel. And to that end, it may be helpful just
17 to point you, sir, to Page 32 of the PowerPoint
18 presentation, at this time, just as a preliminary
19 matter. We fully agree with the comments from counsel.
20 I mean, we don't intend Mr. Franke to testify. And
21 anything that is in this presentation that is
22 historical, it's just to provide a frame of reference to
23 what we are doing going forward. Some of the stuff you
24 have to build a foundation on.

25 Sir, Page 32, I think, answers the two

1 questions that you charged us with in your order. What
2 do we need at a high level to do to get the unit back
3 on, and what is the time estimate for that. If it is
4 your pleasure, sir, we can stay on that slide the entire
5 time and never leave it, but we are prepared to talk in
6 any level of detail that you or the parties or staff
7 would like to see.

8 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Well, thank you. And I
9 think, just for my own personal benefit, I would like a
10 little bit of additional information than just that
11 slide. Again, not to get into the weeds too much, but
12 to show these are the specific steps that need to be
13 taken. I'm sure that your professional staff have a
14 very detailed schedule of the specific steps that need
15 to be taken. We don't need get to that level, but I
16 think something in addition to Slide 32. I think that
17 would be a good summary slide, which is enough of a
18 foundation, again, going forward, and I agree with the
19 other parties' comments that we don't -- we are not
20 building a record here, we're just building a foundation
21 to discuss the schedule of events moving forward, and
22 then we can go into the hearing issues.

23 **MR. BURNETT:** Yes, sir.

24 And if you guys would let us know, too much,
25 too little, a little more, a little less, we will be

1 happy to interactive with the process, sir, to your
2 needs. Thank you.

3 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Okay. Any other
4 questions from the parties or staff? Okay. With that,
5 we will turn it over to Progress Energy for their
6 presentation.

7 **MR. FRANKE:** Thank you. And I want to thank
8 the Commission and the interested parties in an
9 opportunity to talk about where we are with Crystal
10 River 3. There is a lot of material in the
11 presentation, and the reason -- and I encourage anyone
12 that thinks I'm going too far into too much detail to
13 step in.

14 Part of the problem with talking about just
15 going forward is I can say, for example, over the next
16 many days our primary activity at the plant is
17 retensioning the building, and I can say that.
18 Unfortunately, it doesn't mean much. The letter we
19 received asked for some detail, so I'm providing some
20 background information to provide what that means and
21 what it takes to do that to provide that detail
22 requested. It's purely for the purposes of meeting the
23 will of the Commission and being able to inform the
24 parties.

25 So with that being said, what we'd like to

1 cover -- thank you. This is not working.

2 A little bit of background information so that
3 when we talk about that forward schedule it's a little
4 clearer what that means. Give a schedule summary, a
5 status of the remaining repair activities, and I think
6 it is important in talking about the going-forward
7 aspects of our schedule to discuss some uncertainties in
8 the schedule and what items are out there that could
9 potentially affect both the duration as well as the
10 scope of our work going forward.

11 Thank you. All right, it's working now.

12 Thank you.

13 A little on the background. I'll go very
14 quickly through this. The issue began with our steam
15 generator replacement project. That occurred last fall.
16 No need to go into any detail here, but we replaced the
17 steam generators. As part of that replacement, it
18 required opening up the containment building, and that's
19 what we are talking about repairing at the facility
20 right now.

21 If you look at a simplified drawing of the
22 building, this shows the steam generators inside our
23 primary containment building. There are three barriers.
24 This is the third barrier to radioactive release to the
25 public. The containment building itself, the steel

1 liner itself is the barrier. The concrete provides the
2 strength of the building to hold the liner in place in
3 the event of any high energy transient that would occur
4 inside the buildings. It's essentially a water pipe
5 rupture that would release steam into the building.

6 The building itself, if you look at this
7 cutaway, you see the circles to the left and right,
8 those are tendons inside the concrete structure. So
9 when you make this building, you place tendon sleeves
10 inside the concrete, you pour the concrete, when it
11 cures, you put tendons inside those steel conduits, and
12 you tighten the building to make it compressed in its
13 normal state under operations. That's important because
14 I'm going to get back to that. That's actually the
15 evolution we are undergoing right now of compressing the
16 building using those tendons.

17 Let me explain to you what they are and how
18 they work. It provides background to the activities
19 that we have ongoing right now and for the next several
20 weeks. The building itself, this is a picture of the
21 side of the building, and you see steel caps along the
22 edge of a buttress. Where the concrete comes out, we
23 call that a buttress. Those steel caps beneath them are
24 the end of tendons. There are 144 vertical tendons in
25 the building, 282 hoop tendons which wrap around the

1 building, and then there's 123 tendons that are involved
2 with the dome structure. Okay.

3 The next slide explains how these tendons
4 work. If you exaggerate the buttresses coming away from
5 the wall, and as I click it, you'll see the tendons
6 start wrapping around the building. Each tendon goes a
7 third of the way around the building, so it takes three
8 tendons to wrap around once. And then in order to get
9 the building even, each loop has a set of two loops
10 around the building, making six total a complete loop
11 around the building. This is how you get a nice even
12 squeeze on the building when you pull the tendons tight.

13 Over to the right you can see at that tendons
14 are actually meant to be closer together where there is
15 a pair of two tendons that make this loop of essentially
16 six tendons total for a complete loop. And then there
17 is multiple loops across the building, if that makes
18 sense.

19 All right. This is how a tendon works. It's
20 actually very simple. This is the end of a tendon.
21 This is what it looks like beneath one of those tendon
22 caps I showed you before. The tendon is made up of 163
23 carbon steel wires about seven millimeters diameter
24 each. So it's a lot like a muscle, where it has got
25 many different strands. They wrap around the building,

1 a third of the way around, and on each end those strands
2 stick through what we call a stressing washer, and then
3 the end of each of those strands is mushroomed out to
4 hold it against the stressing washer.

5 The way the building is tensioned, and this is
6 coming into the detail of what we are doing right now is
7 you have actually grabbed that stressing washer, I'll
8 show you the device in a second, and you stretch the
9 tendon, and then you place a washer back behind it to
10 maintain it's stretch, if that makes sense. And the
11 pull of the tendon is what applies the tension to the
12 building and compresses the concrete.

13 On the next slide you can see the tensioning
14 tool, and this is what is actually being used today on
15 the building. This is a hydraulic ram which is capable
16 of grabbing and threading onto those stressing washers,
17 and then similar to a hydraulic jack that you would jack
18 a car up with, you're jacking against these tendons and
19 stretching them, and then washers -- shims are placed
20 between that stressing washer and the wall to maintain
21 the tendons in tension. Those are the activities that
22 are ongoing right now.

23 Real quickly, to get to where we are today,
24 this just shows a couple of photos during the outage
25 last fall that identified the delamination that we have

1 subsequently repaired. This shows the equipment that
2 removed the concrete, and you can see each step as the
3 concrete wall was eaten away. You can see an outer
4 rebar mesh. The tendon sleeves themselves are in the
5 photo labeled number two. Inside these first horizontal
6 tendons, and then in the inner vertical tendons are
7 these tendons that we're currently tensioning. This is
8 from the original steam generator replacement outage
9 last fall.

10 Once we opened up -- removed all the concrete,
11 a steel liner plate that is that barrier to radioactive
12 release is on the inside there. That was removed, which
13 allowed us access in and out of the building. In photo
14 four, you can see the original delamination as you look
15 up into the opening that was made so that the steam
16 generators could pass into and out of the building.
17 That crack is the delamination that was subsequently
18 repaired. When we identified it, we did -- this kind of
19 shows a cut-away, by the way, of the way the building is
20 designed. You see that liner on the far side of the
21 photo, and then coming out is 42 inches of concrete.
22 First are those vertical tendon sleeves, and then the
23 horizontal tendon sleeves, and then that rebar you saw
24 as we ate the wall away. This kind of gives you a feel
25 for the way the building is constructed. It also shows

1 where that delamination occurred.

2 At the end of the outage, and after discovery
3 of the delamination, we were able to do nondestructive
4 testing. The repair area is the area between what we
5 call Buttresses 3 and 4. You can see those to the left
6 and right of this photograph. Buttress 4 is actually
7 behind the scaffold staircase to the right in the photo.
8 Buttress 3 is to the left, and you can see the tendon
9 caps. There was a hourglass shape of delamination that
10 had to be repaired.

11 Real quickly, for completed repair activities,
12 it is important as we talk about going forward, to first
13 cover our priorities. Because it explains the scope and
14 schedule for the activities we have going forward.
15 First and foremost, the repair activities was focused on
16 restoring the plant back to its nuclear safety condition
17 to protect the health and safety of the public, and also
18 the work had to be performed in a manner that did not
19 risk our workforce.

20 Second, and I want to emphasize this point, is
21 our goal is to restore the asset for our customers.
22 While we are not going to go into the cause today of the
23 delamination, there are elements of that cause which
24 drove us to very specific and careful consideration of
25 the techniques used to repair the walls so that we did

1 not cause further damage. The reason being two-fold,
2 and I mention it in bullet three. First of all, to
3 maintain the NRC license condition. It's very important
4 for us -- from the work we have done to date, and even
5 more so for the work we have over the next several
6 weeks, to maintain the licensed condition of the plant.

7 Should we not be able to maintain the current
8 design of the plant per our NRC license, that license
9 would have to be amended, which would cause a
10 significant delay in the return to service of the plant,
11 so we have been focused on that in order to bring the
12 plant back to service sooner for our customers. And
13 then lastly, of course, to bring the plant back into
14 service and into repair.

15 Let's talk a little bit about the overview of
16 the repair activities. First of all, the root cause had
17 to be identified. I will not go into the root cause
18 today, but it was important because it has driven the
19 schedule to date as well as the schedule going forward
20 with regard to making sure we have the right engineering
21 model to understand how to make this repair both, one,
22 to restore the design of the plant, but also to ensure
23 that no further damage occurred.

24 In doing so, we had to develop first-of-a-kind
25 engineering techniques that had never been used before

1 in the industry. The delamination was a surprise --

2 COMMISSIONER BALBIS: Excuse me. Is it Mr.
3 Franke?

4 MR. FRANKE: Yes, it is.

5 COMMISSIONER BALBIS: If we could, again, kind
6 of focus forward on not how we got here, but --

7 MR. FRANKE: Sounds good.

8 I'll have to talk a little bit more about the
9 engineering, because we're currently in that. Currently
10 we are still doing engineering work, and I'll cover that
11 briefly going forward.

12 The bottom line, we have detensioned
13 additional tendons since the damage. We have removed
14 the delaminated concrete, and we have placed concrete.
15 Going forward, we're retensioning the tendons, and
16 that's currently in progress. After that, the last
17 three bullets -- last four bullets -- I'm sorry, the
18 last three bullets on this slide are the activities that
19 remain. We have to continue to retension the tendons.
20 That still relies on additional engineering work that is
21 ongoing, and I'll talk about that in a minute. We have
22 to test the building to validate that it has been
23 restored to design conditions, and then we are going to
24 start to place the plant back in service. Those are the
25 three big steps that remain.

1 Real quickly, this just kind of gives you an
2 idea of the kind of computer modeling that we had to
3 create in order to understand how to both detension and
4 the going-forward actions of retensioning the building.
5 This gives you a feel for the computer models that were
6 used to determine how that could be done without causing
7 any further damage. This shows the stresses and the
8 displacements in the wall as you detension -- perform
9 detension and retensioning activities. Okay.

10 We have detensioned the building. We have
11 removed the concrete. In doing so, and it is important
12 to note in this photo after we performed the original
13 detensioning, we had subsequent cracks in the building.
14 Why it is important that I mention it today is that the
15 identification of these additional cracks that occurred
16 during the detensioning activities last year created a
17 need to go back and revise our engineering model at that
18 time to make sure that in our retensioning activities we
19 caused no further damage.

20 I don't know if that is understandable, but
21 the bottom line is we knew that we would be placing the
22 building back into conditions similar to what occurred
23 in March last year during the activities we are
24 undergoing right now. So it was very important that we
25 understood what caused these cracks and how to prevent

1 them. Now, we did anticipate some of these cracks, but
2 it demanded us to go back and re-review the engineering
3 models that had been used to detension the building so
4 that we could retension with confidence that we would
5 cause no further damage.

6 Let me go ahead and get to a future slide.
7 This kind of steps us through the phases that we have
8 gone through today, and let me talk to you now about
9 what remains. All right. First of all, the
10 retensioning itself is being done in two phases. The
11 first phase is four passes of building, in other words,
12 four sets of tendons that are retensioned, and then you
13 come back to a second pass and retension other tendons
14 that are near the wall.

15 We are currently in pass two of these first
16 four passes, which make up Phase I of retensioning. We
17 believe from today that Phase I will be complete within
18 14 days. In parallel for that, the engineering
19 activities that I talked about before are ongoing in
20 parallel. We believe 12 days from now, and that's the
21 current schedule, that we will have the engineering in
22 place to start the second phase of retensioning, which
23 is passes 4 through 11. The second phases right now,
24 the current schedule is 27 days. The actual duration
25 will depend on a lot of uncertainties that I'll talk

1 about in a little bit in some further slides.

2 There are 16 days of containment testing and
3 post-containment testing recovery with a nine-day start
4 up. If you add up the critical path days, that's about
5 66 days from today we believe the unit will be returned
6 to service.

7 Let's talk a little bit about the detail of
8 these activities going forward. The tendon
9 retensioning; we're at a total scope of 155 horizontal
10 tendons and 64 vertical tendons that are in these 11
11 steps. We also need to restore 80 of the verticals back
12 to its original state. We're using a partial tensioning
13 sequence, which meanings of these horizontal tendons
14 they will be first tensioned to 50 percent of their
15 final tension, and then when we come back to the
16 subsequent passes, these tendons will be fully tensioned
17 to their as-left state.

18 There are 11 passes. Currently only the first
19 four passes, as I mentioned before, have been approved
20 by engineering, and we are working through the
21 engineering to release the last passes currently. We
22 were able to release the first four, and the subsequent
23 passes required additional engineering work to verify
24 that no further damage would occur.

25 The model itself that -- and this is the

1 detail of the engineering work that is ongoing right
2 now. We are using a -- Abaqus is the computer software
3 program. It's a Visco-Elastic Fracture Energy Model.
4 There are two steps of this model. The model itself
5 recreates the life of containment showing the original
6 placement of the concrete. The concrete itself changes
7 over time, and its properties change with the conditions
8 under which it has been. This model is able to
9 replicate that.

10 There are two main components: A global and a
11 microscopic model. The global model models the entire
12 building itself. This is a very complex model that has
13 been built. This model actually shows the shape of the
14 building and the deformations that the building
15 experiences as each of these tendons are stressed;
16 that's very important because we have learned that the
17 shape of the building as it is tensioned and retensioned
18 determines which area of the building are subject to
19 damage.

20 Once the global model is done, we identify
21 those localized areas that require a very in-depth or
22 microscopic review in engineering space. We go down to
23 looking at individual blocks as small as one inch by one
24 inch in evaluating the stress and strains in each corner
25 of these blocks. This work is going on right now. We

1 are looking microscopically at a number of areas in the
2 building to determine the forces in the walls as we
3 complete these final phases, which have yet to be
4 approved by engineering.

5 This microscopic model is able to identify at
6 what point the building will crack and whether this
7 crack will grow. The following photos are just some
8 pictures of the engineering model output and shows how
9 the global model and the microscopic models work
10 together to identify potential damage.

11 All right. While we are retensioning, we are
12 monitoring the building for damage. We have three ways
13 we're doing that. We have strain gauges which are
14 capable of measuring the forces in the wall; we have
15 acoustic emission detectors or sensors, which are
16 listening for any damage as it may occur so that we can
17 stop it before it becomes an issue that would require a
18 repair; as well as we were validating the computer
19 models by using a laser inside the building which
20 actually measures the dimension of the building, and
21 measures the changes in shape of the building as we move
22 forward.

23 The next photos just kind of show the
24 locations of some of these sensors to demonstrate how
25 complex and how careful we are -- how much care we are

1 taking in ensuring we don't cause any further damage to
2 the building.

3 These are some output from the acoustic
4 monitors. And then the laser scan itself. As I
5 mentioned, we are using this data to compare the actual
6 model, the actual building response to the predicted
7 response that the models in engineering space showed us.

8 We have a number of contingencies. Should we
9 see any issues from these monitoring activities which
10 need to be resolved, we have contingencies in place to
11 deal with them.

12 If you remember back on the schedule slide
13 there were a number of post modification testing
14 activities to speak to those details. We will be doing
15 an impulse response test, which basically validates that
16 the building has not delaminated after the repairs are
17 complete. We also have a number of visual exams which
18 are required both of the concrete and the steel liner
19 plate, and we have to map any cracks in the concrete
20 which may exist prior to the pressure testing. We also
21 will be doing a laser scan of the building once all the
22 tendons have been retensioned to understand the shape of
23 the building going into the pressure testing.

24 The most important tests that require the most
25 amount of time in that sequence and schedule involve

1 pressure testing the building. In this case, we'll
2 pressurize the building to just over 63 pounds per
3 square inch. This is actually higher than any design
4 pressure required -- I'm sorry, any pressure required by
5 the design in the worst-case conditions.

6 The structural integrity test follows an ANSI
7 standard in which you measure displacements inside the
8 building as it is pressurized to verify that the
9 structure of the building is reacting the way it was
10 designed. We will also be looking at those strain
11 gauges, and we map the cracks in the building at the
12 peak pressure.

13 Once the structural integrity test is
14 completed, we have to depressurize the building and
15 allow the building to stabilize, and then we pressurize
16 it again in order to perform an integrated leak rate
17 test. This test validates that the leakage boundary,
18 that steel liner, is capable of preventing leakage
19 outside the building at the highest pressure that the
20 building could ever see in any design required
21 conditions after any transience inside the building.

22 Once the testing is complete and the building
23 is turned back over to the plant staff, we will be
24 starting up the plant. We have a number of activities
25 that have prepared us for that. Since the last time the

1 plant was operated, we have done a large number of
2 modifications to the facility, both on the steam plant
3 as well as the new steam generators, so there's a lot of
4 testing activities that are involved prior to placing
5 the plant back in service.

6 We have completed all tests which could be
7 completed with the plant back on line. But most of the
8 -- many of the steam plant components have to be tested
9 during start up. The start-up tests are integrated into
10 the start-up testing sequence. We have performed
11 readiness reviews in order to optimize our restart of
12 the plant, both by the Institute of Nuclear Power
13 Operations as well as the Nuclear Generation Group
14 brought in an assessment to make sure the plant was
15 ready for restart.

16 Our crews have been back through operations
17 training continuously through the shutdown, but
18 specifically we recertified them with a special focus to
19 get them focused on restart of the plant and their
20 ability to operate the plant after the shutdown. We
21 have done the same thing for some of our technical staff
22 for those kinds of activities which occur with the plant
23 on-line as opposed to the work they have been performing
24 when the plant is shut down.

25 There are a number of potential impacts to the

1 ability to execute the schedule as I detailed on Slide
2 32. First of all, the engineering activity that I
3 indicated was working in parallel, that has to be in
4 place prior to the completion of our Phase I
5 retensioning or we will be waiting on engineering before
6 we can go to Pass 5, the first part of Phase II of
7 retensioning. Since that engineering is not complete
8 yet, it still has the potential to affect that schedule.

9 Additionally, I went and detailed a little bit
10 the monitoring equipment that is in place. That
11 monitoring equipment could reach some alert level which
12 would require us to respond to it. That can slow down
13 the return to service of the plant.

14 Additionally, this is a first-of-a-kind
15 construction activity. No other nuclear plant has been
16 through this evolution. As such, we learn as we go.
17 There are opportunities for construction equipment
18 failures. We may identify additional work that is
19 required, and this is outside work, so the weather has
20 the ability to delay us. Obviously there are times when
21 the workers cannot work on the building due to inclement
22 weather.

23 I also want to indicate that the NRC has the
24 authority to come in and require additional reviews of
25 our engineering design. We currently have a start-up

1 meeting with the NRC prior to restart. We don't see any
2 holds to that right now, but the NRC has their own
3 authority and they can require additional views prior to
4 plant restart.

5 And, additionally, we have a number of
6 equipment tests prior to return to service not
7 associated with the containment itself which could delay
8 startup. There are a large number of new equipment in
9 the facility that have to be tested, and part of our
10 schedule itself, including the schedule that I just
11 detailed, included contingency actions should we have
12 problems with that testing. For example, in that
13 schedule that I detained, the startup consequence, there
14 are times to respond to equipment challenges that may be
15 revealed. I'll give you one example. We have a new
16 statter (phonetic) and new rotor on the generator.

17 We know that there is a test that requires us
18 to validate the air flow through the generator is as we
19 designed it, and while we have placed it in the
20 condition we believe is the right status to provide that
21 air flow, you can't measure it until the generator has
22 been spun with steam. We don't have the steam to do
23 that. Once that test is complete, we may have to go
24 back in to make some adjustments inside the generator.
25 That time right now is currently in the schedule. So

1 all of these potential schedule impacts really lay on
2 both sides of the end date. And what I mean by that is
3 if the first time we spin that generator up, for
4 example, it is in design, then that return to service
5 will be earlier. If we run into an emergent work
6 activity with construction, that schedule may be later.

7 So what I want to emphasize is this is the
8 best information available today. There is still a lot
9 to learn as we move through the repair and certainly
10 some to learn as the plant comes back in service. So
11 while I am certain the plant will return to service,
12 right now the specific date is going to be subject to a
13 large number of the uncertainties I just detailed.

14 **MR. BURNETT:** Thank you, Commissioner.

15 The next slide just discusses very briefly a
16 couple of things. Three things that have to be done,
17 and one thing that the Commission and the parties may
18 want to consider being done after a return to service.
19 We'll have to calculate the final replacement fuel and
20 power costs, and that should not be a heavy lift.
21 That's something we could do relatively quickly.

22 Collect and process remaining documents. As
23 this process goes on, documents that may be relevant to
24 this case are being created, so we are trying to collect
25 them as realtime as possible and process them to have

1 them available for staff and the parties. Again, we are
2 doing pretty well with that and keeping pace.

3 The next one on here, the bullet of
4 comprehensive briefing and Q&A, I have not vetted this
5 with the parties yet, but it may make sense prior to
6 going in the case at some point if the parties and
7 Progress could agree on a presentation to have Crystal
8 River 3 101. Perhaps some of the key terms, the
9 acronyms, some of the things just to gain a familiarity,
10 maybe an FAQ, frequently asked question type Q&A.
11 Anything to move it along so we don't have to waste
12 hearing time getting people caught up to some of the
13 more Byzantine nuclear aspects. And, again, I have not
14 discussed this with the parties yet, but something to
15 think about to maybe streamline.

16 And then, finally, completed case filings. If
17 we file before return to service, of course our case
18 filings will not tell all of the story. So we'll either
19 have to update that or we'll have to wait until return
20 of service and file the entirety. So those are just
21 some housekeeping next steps.

22 And that would end our presentation, and we
23 are available for any questions, sir.

24 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Thank you.

25 And I think that provided a good background

1 without stepping in the wrong area. And I guess I'll
2 now turn it over to the other parties, if you would like
3 to make any comments at this time.

4 **MR. REHWINKEL:** Thank you, Commissioner.

5 I will go first from Public Counsel. We
6 appreciate the factual presentation that Mr. Franke has
7 made, and we have been dealing with this issue for over
8 a year. We believe Progress has kept Public Counsel's
9 Office apprised of the major issues and schedule impacts
10 as they have changed, at least at a high level, and we
11 appreciate that.

12 Public Counsel's Office believes,
13 Commissioner, that this docket will involve a
14 significant amount of complexity. Issues of imprudence
15 that may be evaluated exist on several levels. One of
16 which is the overall project planning, also the specific
17 engineering that lead to the delamination event, also
18 the repair process and time line that you have heard
19 some about today, as well as the replacement power
20 decisions.

21 These are ones that are manifest, at least to
22 this office at this time, and they represent potential
23 areas where imprudence may be found. On November 11th
24 of 2010, the Public Counsel served discovery, and at the
25 outset gave Progress Energy 60 days instead of the

1 standard 30 days to produce documents due to the
2 holidays, due to the on-going repair work, and with an
3 awareness of the magnitude of the documents that we were
4 requesting.

5 On January 11th, Progress produced, at current
6 count, over a million pages of documents in their
7 Tallahassee Office, and on that same day the Public
8 Counsel's Office began review of those documents. Also,
9 on December 22nd, the Public Counsel noticed three
10 depositions for the project planning engineers for the
11 steam generator replacement project. We had, I should
12 mention to you, asked counsel for Progress to be able to
13 take these depositions earlier, perhaps even in the days
14 before the Christmas holidays. But we were rightfully
15 reminded by Progress that some of the folks that we
16 might want to talk to were involved in the very
17 activities that you have heard about today, and that was
18 a point well taken.

19 It has been a fundamental precept of our
20 office in participating informally and formally with
21 Progress in this case is that what is most important is
22 getting the building repaired, as Mr. Franke mentioned,
23 for the benefit of the customers as well as the company.

24 And we think that is an important thing to be
25 considered both by the parties participation in this

1 docket as well as the Commission's scheduling of the
2 docket. We have no complaints about the pace of
3 discovery or the availability of witnesses, because
4 repair the building is first and foremost, and we do not
5 want to in any way interfere with that.

6 The depositions that we scheduled by agreement
7 of the parties and the company were combined into two
8 full-day depositions by panel of these three planning
9 engineers, and we concluded those close to the end of
10 the day on this past Friday. The Public Counsel's
11 Office believes that the issues before the Commission
12 both with respect to the magnitude of the dollars as
13 well as the complexity of the engineering and planning
14 that are involved in this docket are beyond, by a great
15 magnitude, anything that the Commission has seen before
16 in a prudence docket. And we think that is an important
17 thing to consider in scheduling of this case.

18 We believe that we owe it to our clients, the
19 customers, to do this case right. The dollars are too
20 large, the issues are too complex, and the case is too
21 important to rush. We are very leery of making too much
22 of a connection between the happenstance of an annual
23 fuel factor hearing and the facts of this case which
24 have not, to this date, as you have heard today, become
25 final.

1 The issues in this case will involve not only
2 the past, the root-cause analysis, but the continuation
3 of activities that still have not been completed. They
4 are significant and crucial engineering that is on-going
5 today, and that will bear in the final valuation on what
6 happened and the steps that the company has taken to
7 mitigate damage that the customers ultimately may have
8 to pay for, both with respect to the engineering as well
9 as the replacement fuel costs.

10 We don't believe that the schedule of the fuel
11 docket or the fact that a decision has been made and is
12 final with respect to allowing replacement costs should
13 influence this docket. We think it should be a
14 stand-alone docket dealing with the prudence of the
15 activities of Progress Energy so that it can be fair to
16 both the customers and the company.

17 And in that regard, we believe that the
18 Commission should allow ample time for the company to
19 complete their repairs, to make their filing, and for
20 parties to then take the proper steps, including the
21 hiring of appropriate expert witnesses to test the
22 testimony that they file.

23 The Public Counsel has taken it upon itself to
24 begin our efforts to start, in this massive case, well
25 in advance of the filing of the company. And the

1 company has been very forthright and very open to
2 allowing us to do that, because they know that this is a
3 case that may take some time.

4 So our plea to you in devising a schedule for
5 this case is that there is no reason to rush. We don't
6 fault parties, or the staff, or the Commission for
7 trying to put some definition in the schedule and to
8 come up with some hearing dates that we can shoot for.
9 We believe August is too soon. We are much more open to
10 looking at dates later in the year, as long as there are
11 no inordinate or unanticipated delays in the filings
12 that the company makes.

13 So I have no definite dates to offer to you
14 other than August is too soon, and there is no reason
15 for us to try to cram a square peg into a round hole to
16 meet a filing date for the fuel factor docket, because
17 that's something that happens every year at a certain
18 time of year, and it is agnostic to what the facts are
19 in this case, and the pace of repairs, and the pace of
20 the company's filing.

21 So we are very mindful of the fact that
22 customers are paying for replacement costs, at least a
23 definite or finite calculation of replacement costs that
24 were determined in the fall. We don't take that issue
25 lightly, but if there is imprudence and there is refunds

1 to be made to the customers, we would rather get it
2 right than to rush and do half a job.

3 So with those remarks, I would turn it to over
4 to other counsel. Thank you.

5 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Thank you.

6 Ms. Kaufman.

7 **MS. KAUFMAN:** Thank you, Commissioner.

8 Would I be permitted to ask a question or two
9 about the schedule that Progress has presented?

10 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Yes.

11 **MS. KAUFMAN:** And I guess this is for Mr.
12 Franke. On the Page 32 schedule that you talked
13 about --

14 **MR. FRANKE:** Yes, ma'am.

15 **MS. KAUFMAN:** -- the total duration of the
16 outage that you are now predicting today is about two
17 more months, correct?

18 **MR. FRANKE:** That is correct.

19 **MS. KAUFMAN:** Actually, I tried to count the
20 days out, and it actually comes out to March 31st, which
21 is the last day of the third quarter. I mean --

22 **MR. FRANKE:** First quarter.

23 **MS. KAUFMAN:** Right. Sorry.

24 You also talked, when you were on Slide 50,
25 about some things that -- no, that's Mr. Burnett's

1 slide, the slide before, Page 49, some potential impacts
2 to that schedule that might come up.

3 **MR. FRANKE:** Yes, ma'am.

4 **MS. KAUFMAN:** Did I hear you correctly that
5 there is some contingency time built into the Page 32
6 schedule?

7 **MR. FRANKE:** Yes, ma'am. For example, there
8 are, I think as of this morning, about 1,000 different
9 line items in that schedule, okay. So we are talking
10 about something very -- a lot of action is required
11 between now and return the plant to service, including
12 all the testing actions.

13 For example, the generator test I discussed
14 before. That test right now, if we execute the test and
15 the test is satisfactory, it takes a couple of hours.
16 If we find that the flows inside the generator are not
17 as required, we have got a six-day contingency in that
18 current schedule to secure the turbine, to make it safe
19 to work on, and to go into the generator and move some
20 plates and bolt them in a new position, bolt it all back
21 up and then start the generator again. Those days will
22 not be required if the test is satisfactory. So that's
23 an example of some contingency time we have in the
24 schedule.

25 Now, there are other items that could make it

1 go longer. This is one of those things where to know
2 today precisely when the generator is going to sync to
3 the grid with a high level of confidence on that
4 preciseness is just not reasonable.

5 **MS. KAUFMAN:** I understand that totally, but
6 my point is that the schedule that's on Page 32
7 considers contingencies. It doesn't assume that every
8 single task is going to be perfectly done, as you said,
9 in six hours, but it builds in some -- I don't know what
10 to call it -- some float time there for things that
11 might not go exactly according to schedule.

12 **MR. FRANKE:** For some activities. Not all the
13 things that can go wrong are in that schedule.

14 **MS. KAUFMAN:** Okay. I guess that would be --

15 **MR. FRANKE:** That's impossible.

16 **MS. KAUFMAN:** -- an impossible task, yes.

17 Thank you for that clarification; I appreciate
18 it.

19 **MR. FRANKE:** Yes, ma'am.

20 **MS. KAUFMAN:** Commissioner, I wanted to follow
21 up, if I might, on Mr. Rehwinkel's comments on the
22 scheduling. And we certainly agree that bringing this
23 unit back safely to service for the customers is a top
24 priority. It's a very low-cost unit, and every day that
25 it's out, you know, it's costing the ratepayers money.

1 So we certainly think that is a priority.

2 We also think that while it's true, and I'm
3 not going to go into what happened in the fuel
4 adjustment hearing, that currently, as Mr. Rehwinkel
5 said, customers are paying for their replacement fuel
6 and there has yet to be any determination as to whether
7 or not what occurred in this instance was reasonable and
8 prudent.

9 So FIPUG is very anxious to have that
10 determination made. Whether it occurs in conjunction
11 with the fuel hearing is an issue, but I think that
12 there are other mechanisms that the Commission has and
13 that we might discuss with the company that would
14 certainly allow, if a refund is ordered, and, of course,
15 we don't know that at this point, but it would certainly
16 allow the return of those monies more quickly to the
17 customers.

18 And so what we would like to see is we would
19 like to see this case scheduled and determined not in a
20 rush, but as quickly as possible and as efficiently as
21 it can be so that, you know, we get a determination as
22 to the reasonableness and prudence, or lack thereof, of
23 Progress' decision, and so that we get the pot right,
24 you know, as to who should be paying these fairly large
25 -- I mean, they are quite large replacement fuel costs.

1 And FIPUG commits and remains willing to work with
2 Public Counsel, with the parties, and with the
3 Commission to get that done.

4 I certainly understand Mr. Franke's comments.
5 It's not a precise science where he can say March 15th
6 the unit is coming back on line. But I think as we saw
7 in our pleading, Progress has been less than accurate, I
8 guess, in the many predictions that they have made in
9 the past, and that does cause us some concern,
10 especially in light of the fuel decisions.

11 So we don't have an exact date to suggest to
12 you, either, but we certainly would like to see this
13 happen sooner rather than later, but protecting all the
14 parties' rights to discovery and a full and a fair
15 process.

16 Thank you.

17 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Thank you.

18 I'll turn it over, I'm sorry, to our
19 teleconferencers.

20 **MR. BREW:** Thank you, Commissioner.

21 This is Mr. Brew. I would like to echo Mr.
22 Rehwinkel's comment that in our view the priority is
23 getting the unit back to service. We are a little leary
24 of the suggestion of the time frame in the Progress
25 motion until we actually see the unit back in service.

1 So my suggestion might be that the parties take some
2 time now or off the record to talk about scheduling a
3 little bit, rather than leaving it completely
4 open-ended.

5 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Okay. Thank you. And
6 if there are no other comments, I will turn it over to
7 staff. And let me make sure you answer one question
8 that I had, or at least a reminder, the Commission did
9 approve Progress Energy to collect the replacement fuel
10 costs for this outage, and if you can just state the
11 disposition of those funds as far as being subject to
12 refund or not.

13 **MR. YOUNG:** Yes, sir. In Order Number
14 PSC-10-0734-FOF-EI, the Commission did approve Progress
15 Energy Florida to collect funds subject to refund for
16 the CR-3 outage, the repurchased power.

17 I've listened to what all the parties have
18 said, also talking to technical staff throughout the
19 course of the past weeks, and I think two slides -- the
20 slide that's up right now speaks volumes in terms of the
21 complexity of this case, and that is Bullet Point 2 and
22 Bullet Point 4 in terms of collect and process remaining
23 documents. Because if you go -- my fear is if we go to
24 hearing and we don't have all the documentation that is
25 necessary, I think it leaves the Commission without the

1 proper -- potentially can leave the Commission without
2 the necessary information to make a prudence review in
3 terms of the costs.

4 And like Mr. Rehwinkel said, from my
5 perspective, I have never seen -- I have potentially
6 never seen a case this complex since I've been here. So
7 I think I would urge the Commissioner to be prudent in
8 this decision before setting a hearing. And I think the
9 ratepayers -- the money are held subject to refund, so
10 the ratepayers are not being harmed, per se, if this
11 hearing doesn't happen in the next couple of months.

12 **MR. BURNETT:** Commissioner Balbis, I'm sorry,
13 sir, I didn't know if I was going to get a chance to
14 talk about the scheduling element. May I do so?

15 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Yes, that's fine.

16 **MR. BURNETT:** Thank you, sir.

17 I echo the comments that I have heard on the
18 complexity of the case. And just very quickly, to put
19 it in perspective, Mr. Rehwinkel processed in very short
20 order tens of thousand of documents. We had probably
21 20 hours worth of deposition, and that got us through
22 the planning phase of this project that began in 2002.

23 As Mr. Rehwinkel said, we've collected all the
24 documents since 2002 until October of 2010 and placed
25 them in our Tallahassee Office. Right now that is

1 spanning about 300 banker's boxes full of documents that
2 we've just put in the room there, and we have
3 categorized into 104 subcategories of potentially
4 relevant topics. So it is a huge case.

5 I will say that certainly of all the parties,
6 we're in the best position to try this fast. And if the
7 objective is to get it done fast, we can do that
8 probably better than anyone, because it's our case, it's
9 our documents, it's our witnesses.

10 But I agree, you know, to be fair, we want
11 everyone to have the time that they need, and we want a
12 comprehensive look at this. We don't want to leave the
13 impression that this needs to be fast-tracked quickly so
14 we can have the upper hand on that, so I agree that it
15 does need some time, sir.

16 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Okay. Thank you.

17 One of the reasons why I called for this
18 status conference is that one of the parties did raise
19 concern about the schedule of bringing CR-3 back into
20 safe operation. And I think that, you know, I, for one,
21 would have liked to have seen the thousand line item
22 Gantt chart that shows it, just because I can only
23 assume that the level of complexity with something like
24 this is immense.

25 And really my main concern was if the hearing

1 is scheduled by a certain time is there any benefit. I
2 mean, are there funds that could possibly be lost? And,
3 I think with staff's reiteration of what the Commission
4 approved, and that those funds are subject to refund --
5 and one question I do have for Progress, as far as those
6 funds being subject to refund, they are the account
7 holders of record, correct? So I want to make sure that
8 the account holders at the time that paid for these
9 additional costs, if there is a refund, would recover
10 that amount.

11 **MR. BURNETT:** Commissioner, I've never
12 understood it to work that way, so I think the answer to
13 your question is no. I believe that those funds, that
14 the amounts are held subject to refund and are
15 redistributed at the time that the refund is ordered
16 with interest. I'm not aware of any procedure by which
17 those are tagged to certain accounts, just because of
18 the flux of accounts going in and out and changing, even
19 customers changing from account to account. I think the
20 answer is no. I have never understood the Commission to
21 ever do that as far as I know.

22 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Okay. I know there is
23 another item on the discussion, the possibility of
24 bifurcating the hearing. We can have some discussion on
25 that briefly from staff, but I think we have kind of

1 covered that at this point, at least for my benefit.

2 So with that we'll move on to other matters.
3 From the parties, are there any other matters you would
4 like to discuss?

5 **MR. GLENN:** We would just note one thing --
6 this is Alex Glenn for Progress Energy Florida -- just
7 on fuel costs. Right now the fuel costs that we have
8 collected were through December of last year. Progress
9 Energy Florida and not its customers are eating right
10 now all of those, any excess fuel costs that we have
11 associated with CR-3 being down, and will be.

12 So as this plant, you know, is off-line
13 January, February, what have you, we are essentially
14 paying for those additional costs, not our customers, at
15 this point. So in a sense there is a protection to
16 customers, at least this year, on that plant being down.
17 I wanted to make that clear.

18 **COMMISSIONER BALBIS:** Okay. Thank you.

19 If there are no other matters, I will note
20 that an order memorializing this decision will be
21 afterwards, but I will say, again, I understand the
22 complexity of the process, and I think that having those
23 funds safe, if you will, based on the Commission's past
24 decision is important. And I think what is of most
25 importance is bringing this unit in operation in a safe

1 manner as quickly as possible and move forward in that
2 vein.

3 So, if there are no other questions, this
4 meeting is adjourned.

5 (The status conference concluded at 2:28 p.m.)

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**Crystal River Unit #3
Repair Update
Briefing to the Florida Public Service
Commission**

**January 24, 2011
Jon Franke, Vice President-CR3**



Parties/Staff Handout
event date 01/24/11
Docket No. 100437-EI



Agenda

- Background Information
 - Building Design
 - Completed Containment Repair Activities
- Schedule Summary
- Status of Remaining Repair Activities
- Potential Schedule Impacts
- Questions

BACKGROUND INFORMATION



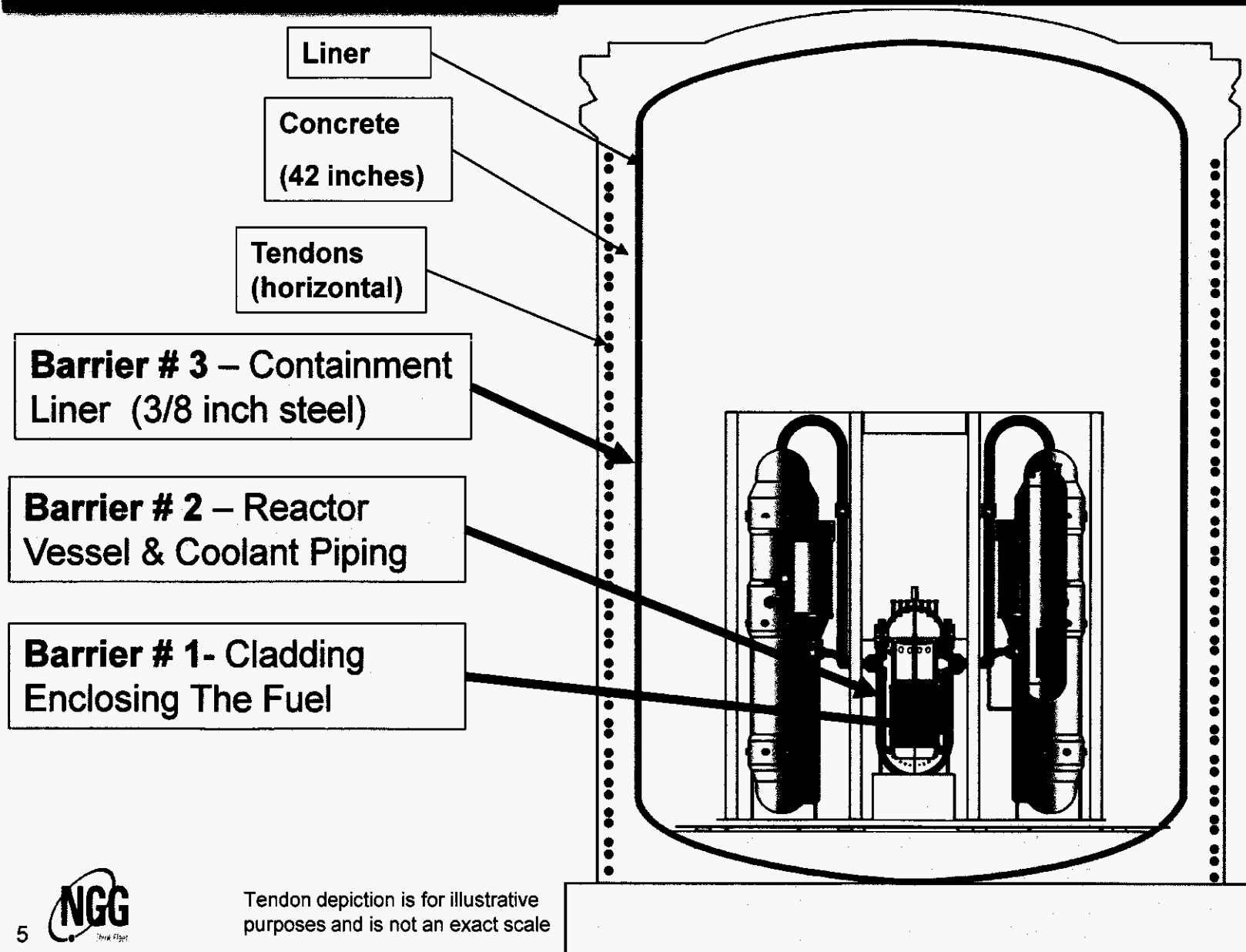
Steam Generator Replacement (SGR) Project

- Steam Generators Needed to be Replaced in 2009 to Support Continued Operation of the Plant.
- Replacement of Steam Generators Need by Inspection Results
- Planning Process Began ~2001
- About 8 Years of Project Planning



Fission Product Barriers

Simplified Schematic

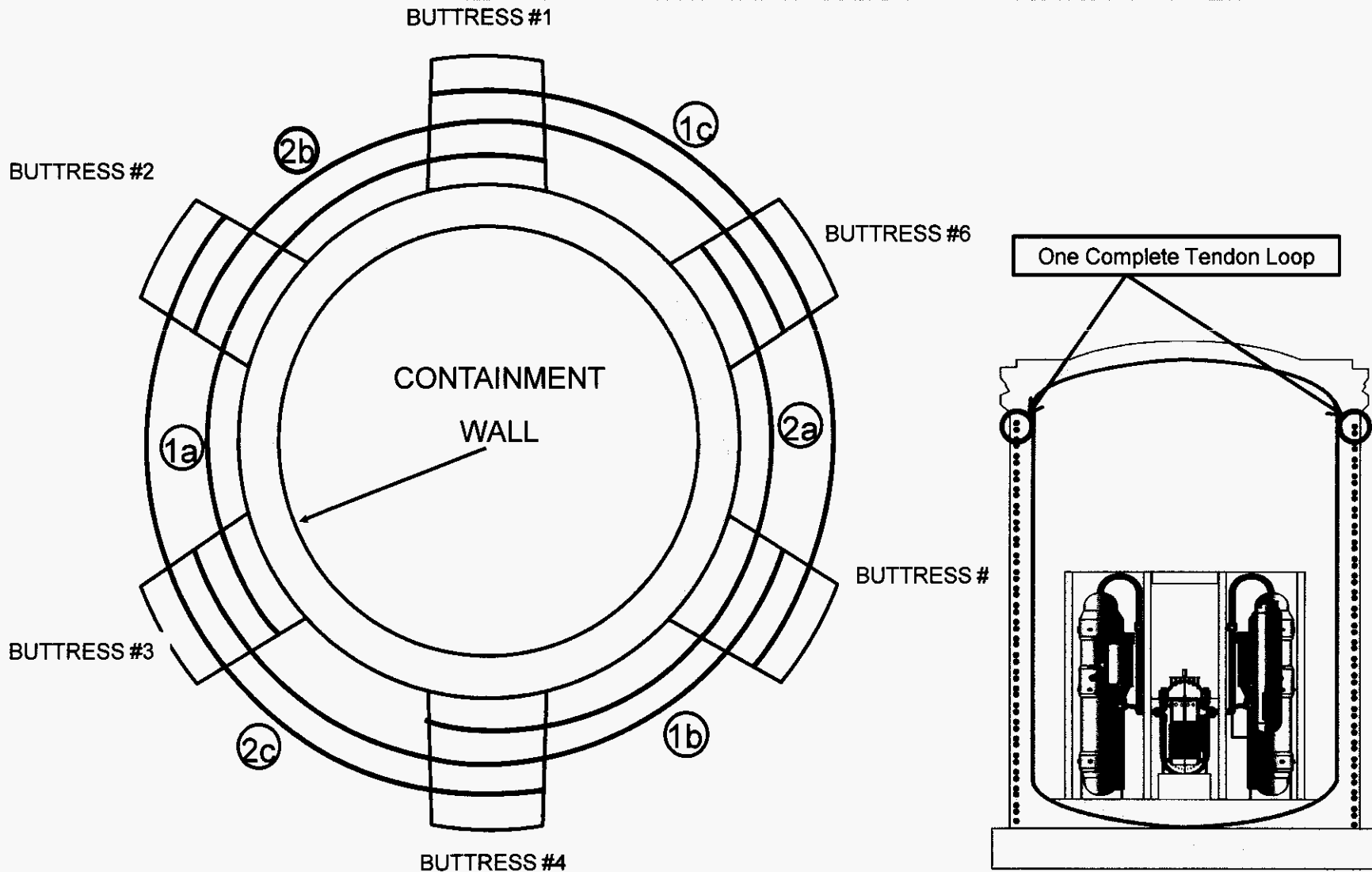


Containment Tensioning System

- **144 Vertical Tendons**
- **282 Hoop Tendons**
 - 120° Each
 - 2 sets of 3 tendons form 1 complete loop
 - 47 complete loops
- **123 Dome Tendons**
 - 3 levels
 - 41 tendons each level
 - Oriented 60° to adjacent level



Containment Tensioning System

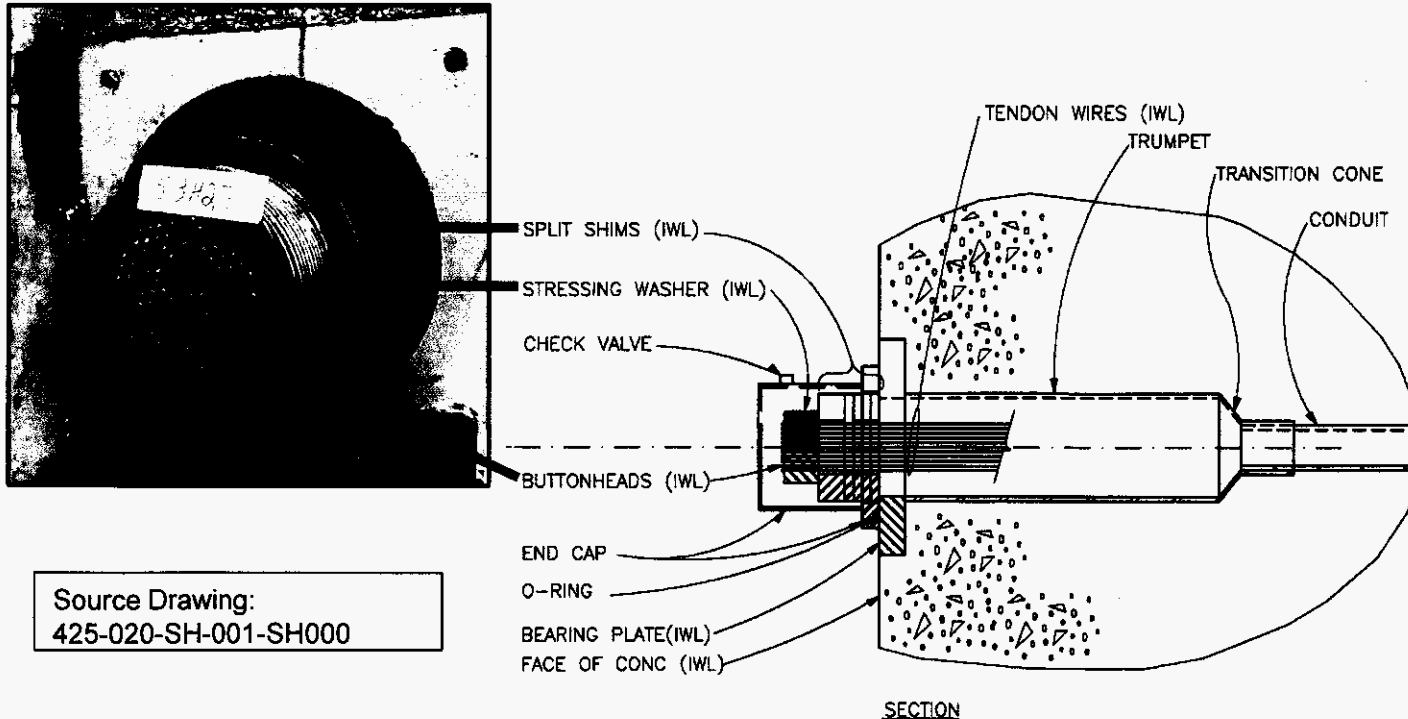


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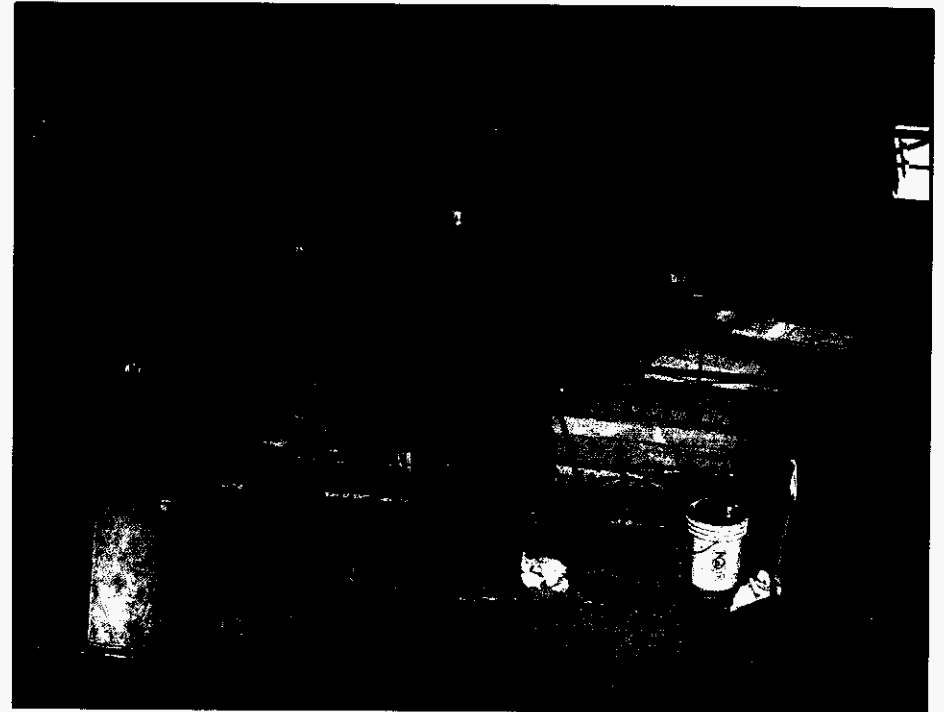
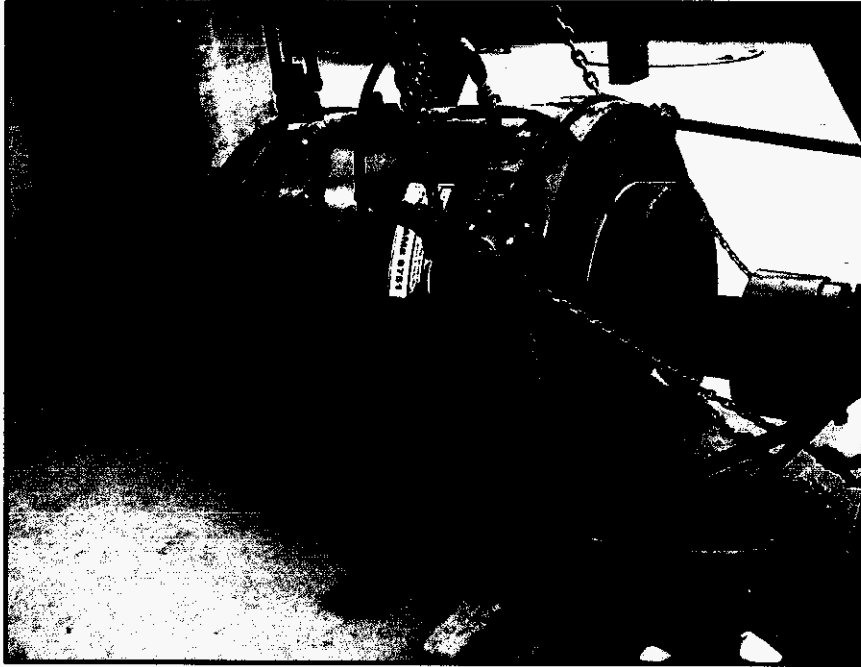


Containment Tensioning System

- **Each Tendon Construction:**
 - 163 Tempered Carbon Steel Wires of 7 mm Diameter Each
 - Various size shims



Tensioning Tool (Ram)



Steam Generator Replacement (SGR) Opening

Hydro-Excavation



Concrete & Liner Removal Sequence



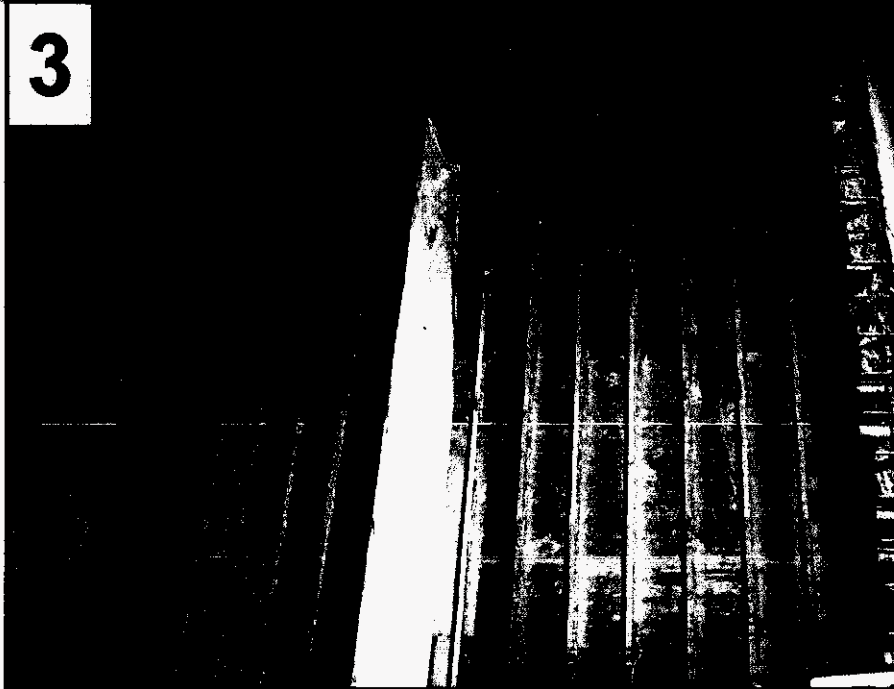
Outer Rebar Exposed

Tendon Sleeves Exposed



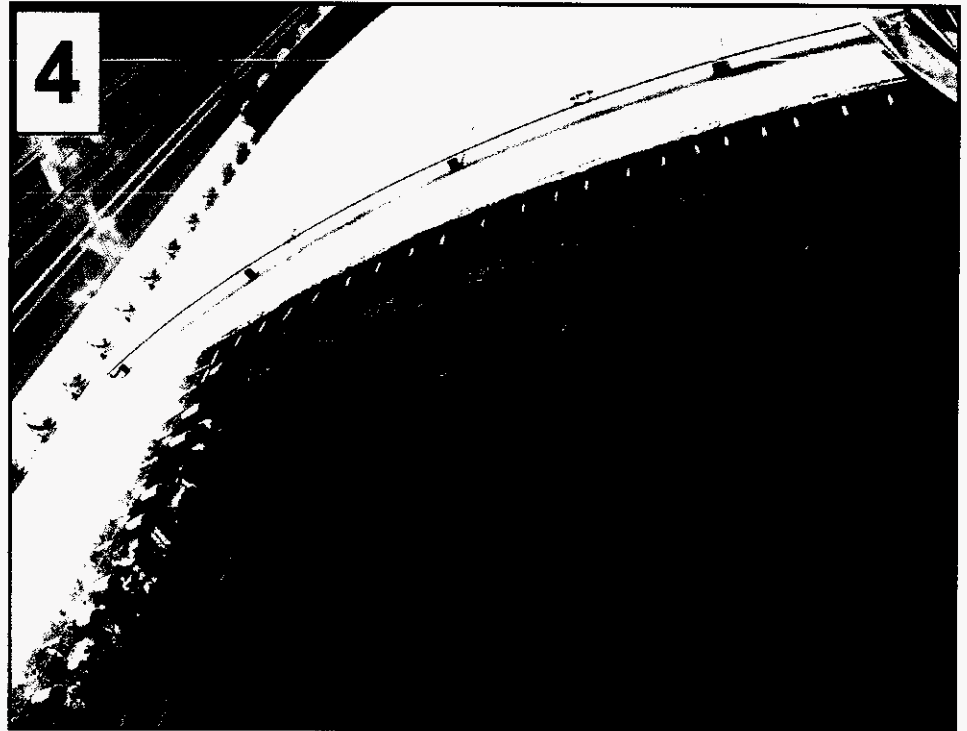
Concrete & Liner Removal Sequence (continued)

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Containment Liner Exposed

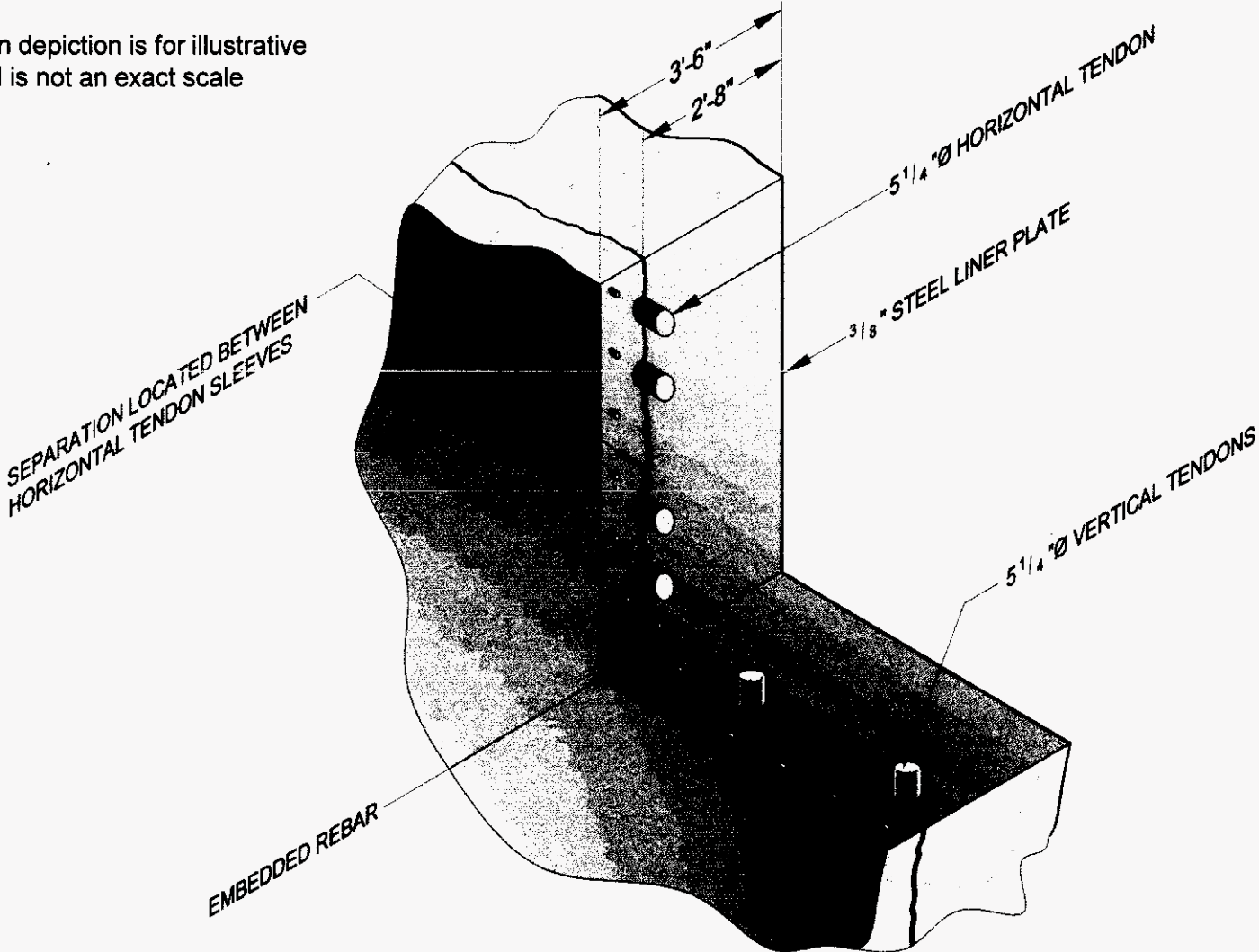
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Opening Complete

SGR Opening Sequence & Identification of Delamination

Note - Tendon depiction is for illustrative purposes and is not an exact scale



SGR Opening – Bay 3-4

Showing Delamination Boundary

SGR Opening Dimensions

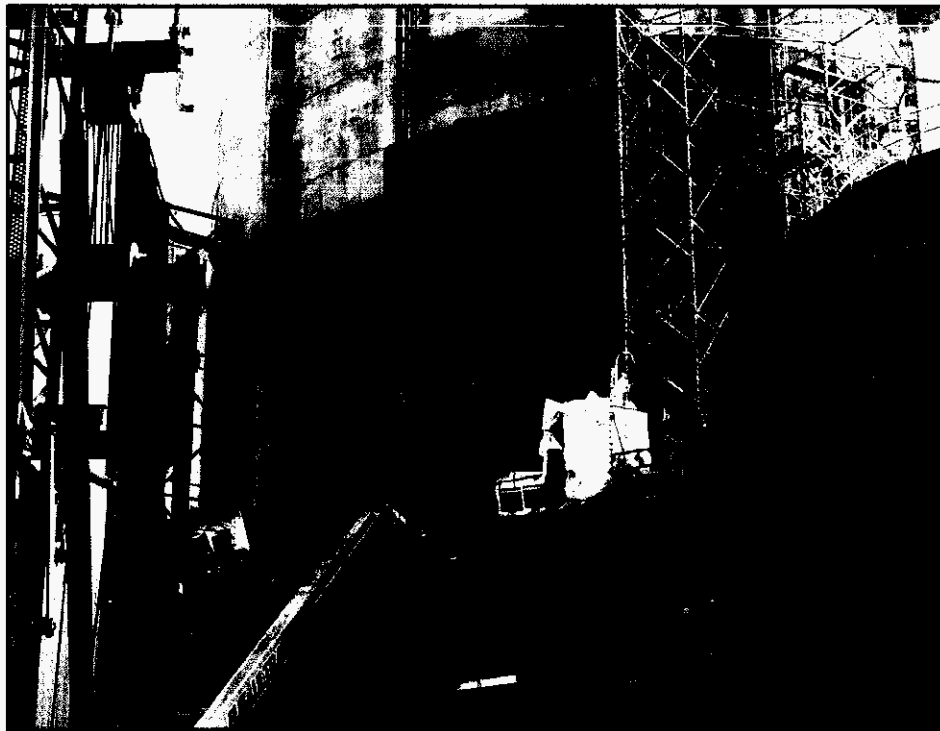
@ Liner
23' 6" x 24' 9"

@ Concrete Opening
25' 0" x 27" 0"



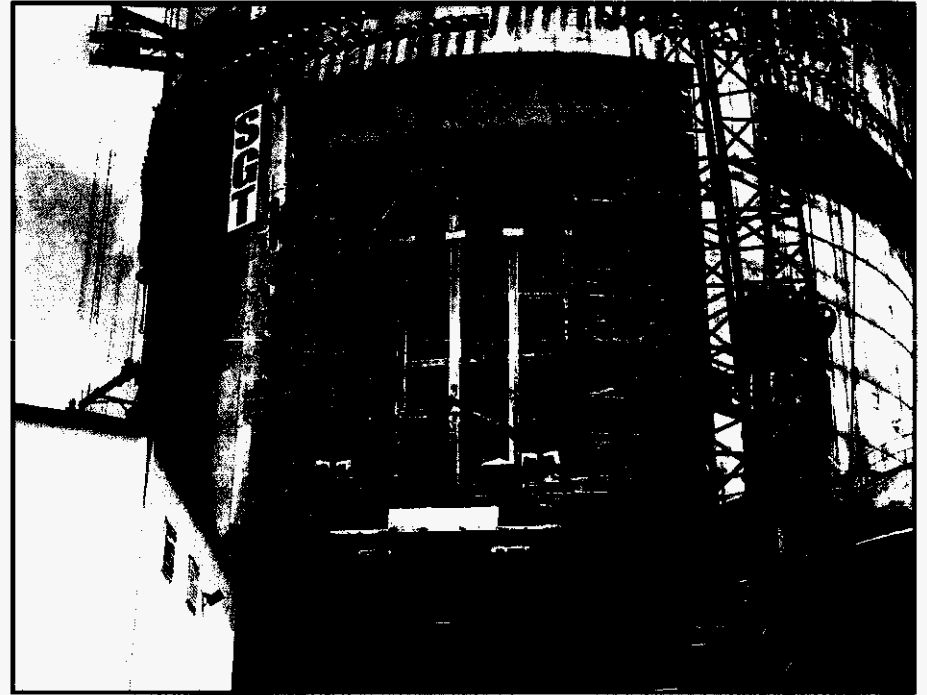
**Yellow line denotes
boundary of delamination**

COMPLETED CONTAINMENT REPAIR ACTIVITIES



Repair Plan Priorities

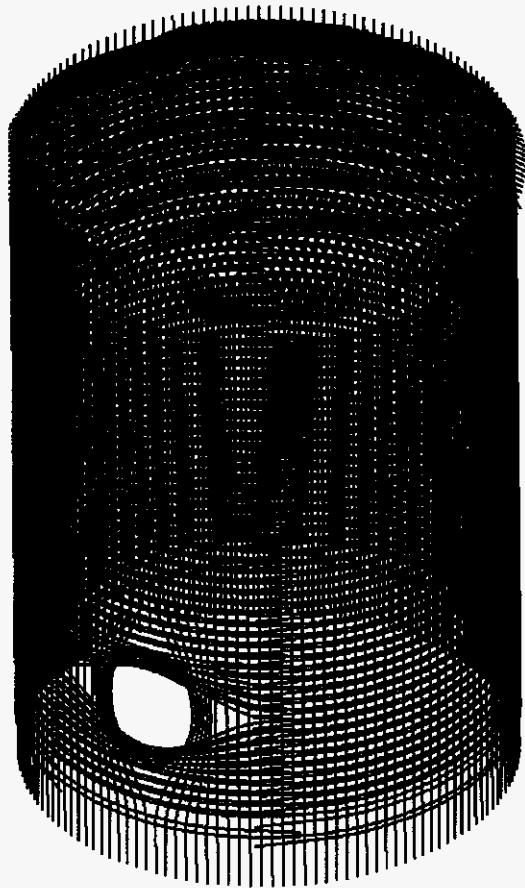
- Nuclear and Industrial Safety First Priority
- Ensure Plant Asset is Protected for Customers
 - Prevent further damage
- Maintain NRC License Condition
 - Restore design and safety margin
 - Repair without requirement for NRC License Amendment
- Return Plant to Service



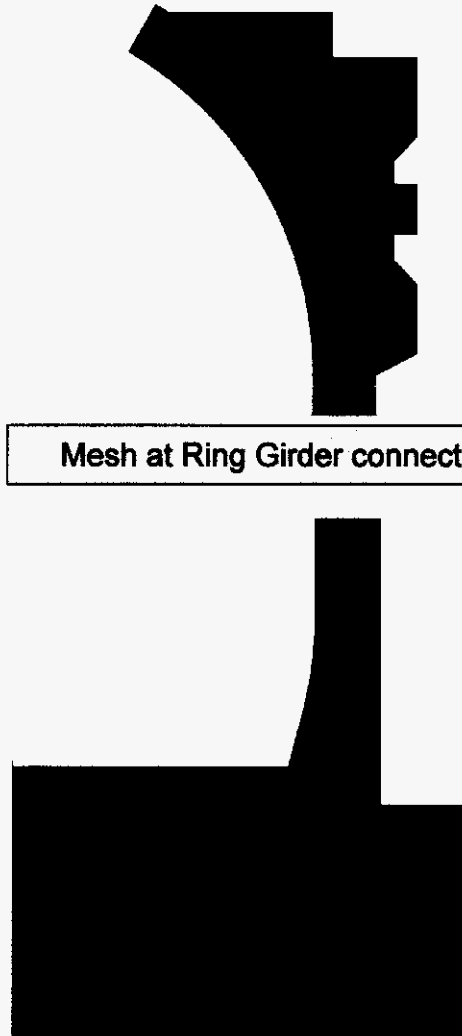
Repair and Engineering Overview

- **Application of Root Cause Insights on Repair**
 - Creation of engineering model required for de-tensioning
 - Development of “First of a Kind” engineering techniques
- **De-Tension Additional Tendons**
- **Delaminated Concrete Removal**
 - Identification and repair of secondary cracks
- **Concrete Placement**
- **Re-tensioning of Tendons – *In Progress***
 - Completion of re-tensioning engineering model – *In Progress*
- **Post-Repair Containment Testing**
- **Unit Restart**

Development of New Engineering Required to De-Tension without Further Damage

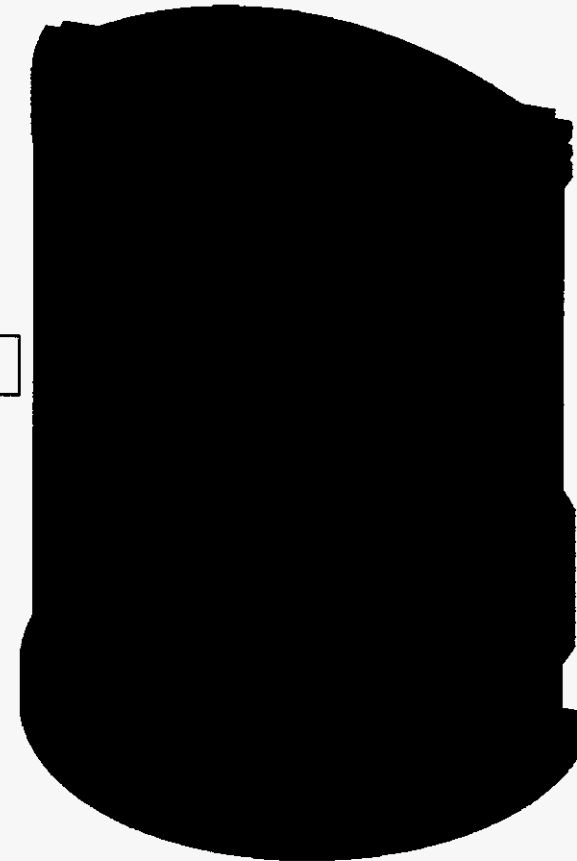


Modeling of Tendons



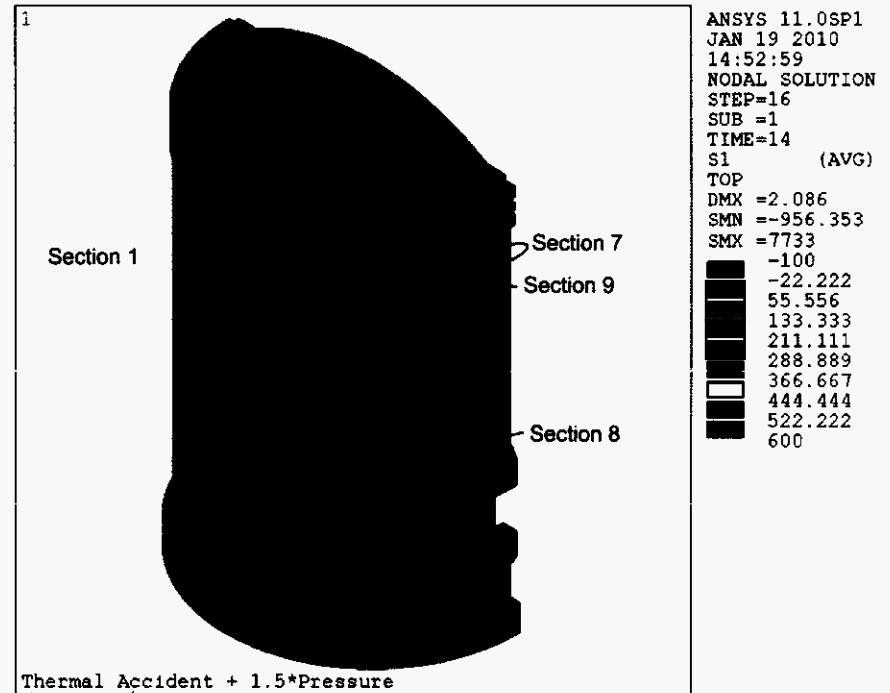
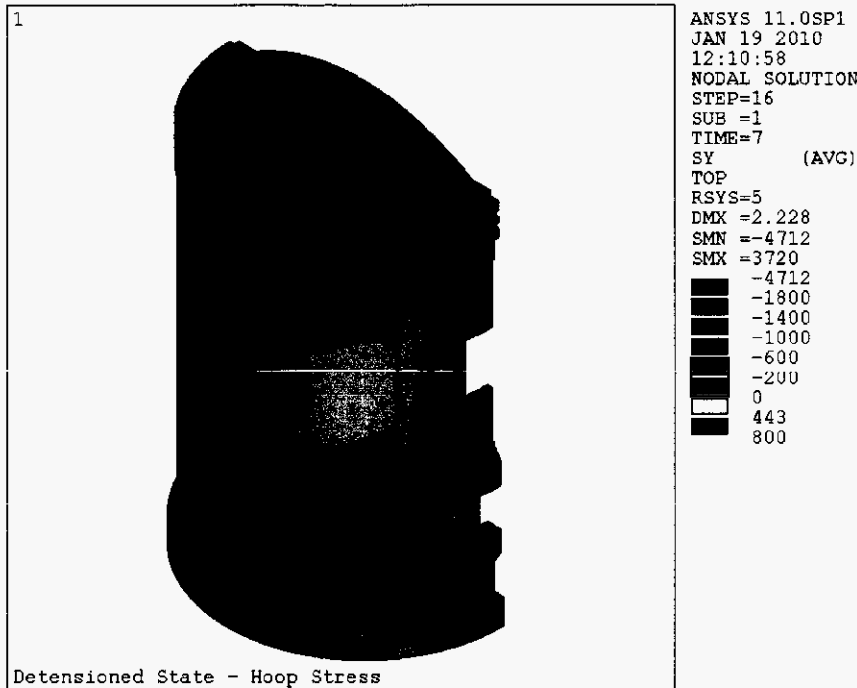
Mesh at Ring Girder connection

Mesh at Foundation connection



Composite Model

Development of New Engineering Required to De-Tension without Further Damage



Analysis of stresses while de-tensioned with SGR opening and delamination removed (preliminary results for hoop stresses)

Analysis of stresses after repair and upon completion of re-tensioning (preliminary results for 1.5 x LOCA pressure plus Accident Thermals)

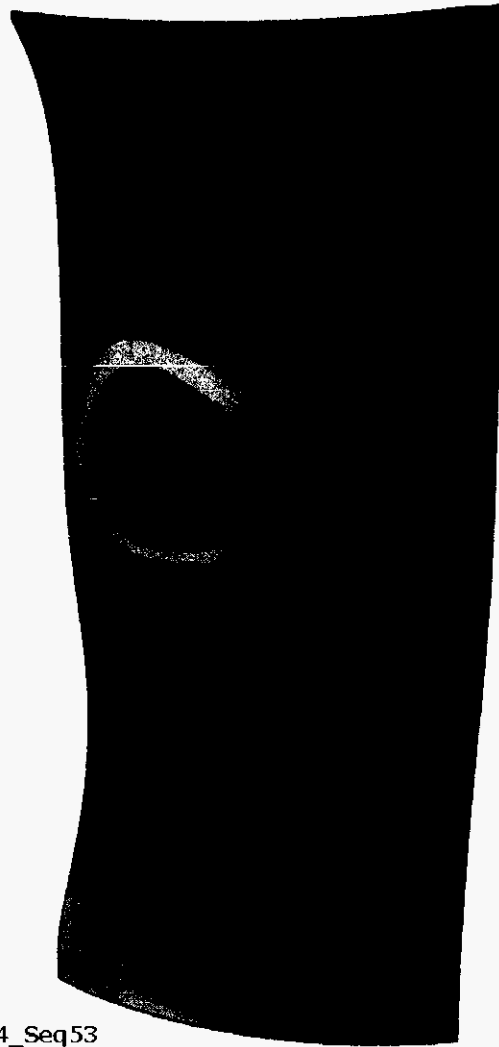
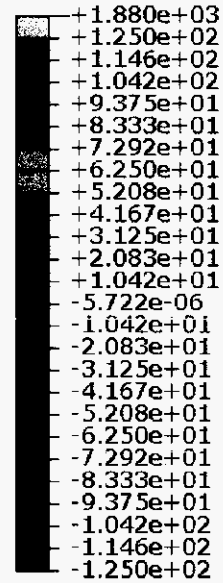
Tendon Scope

155 Horizontal
 64 Vertical
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Repair Tendon De-tensioning

Limiting Stress Check at Panel 2 – 3

S, Max. Principal
(Avg: 75%)



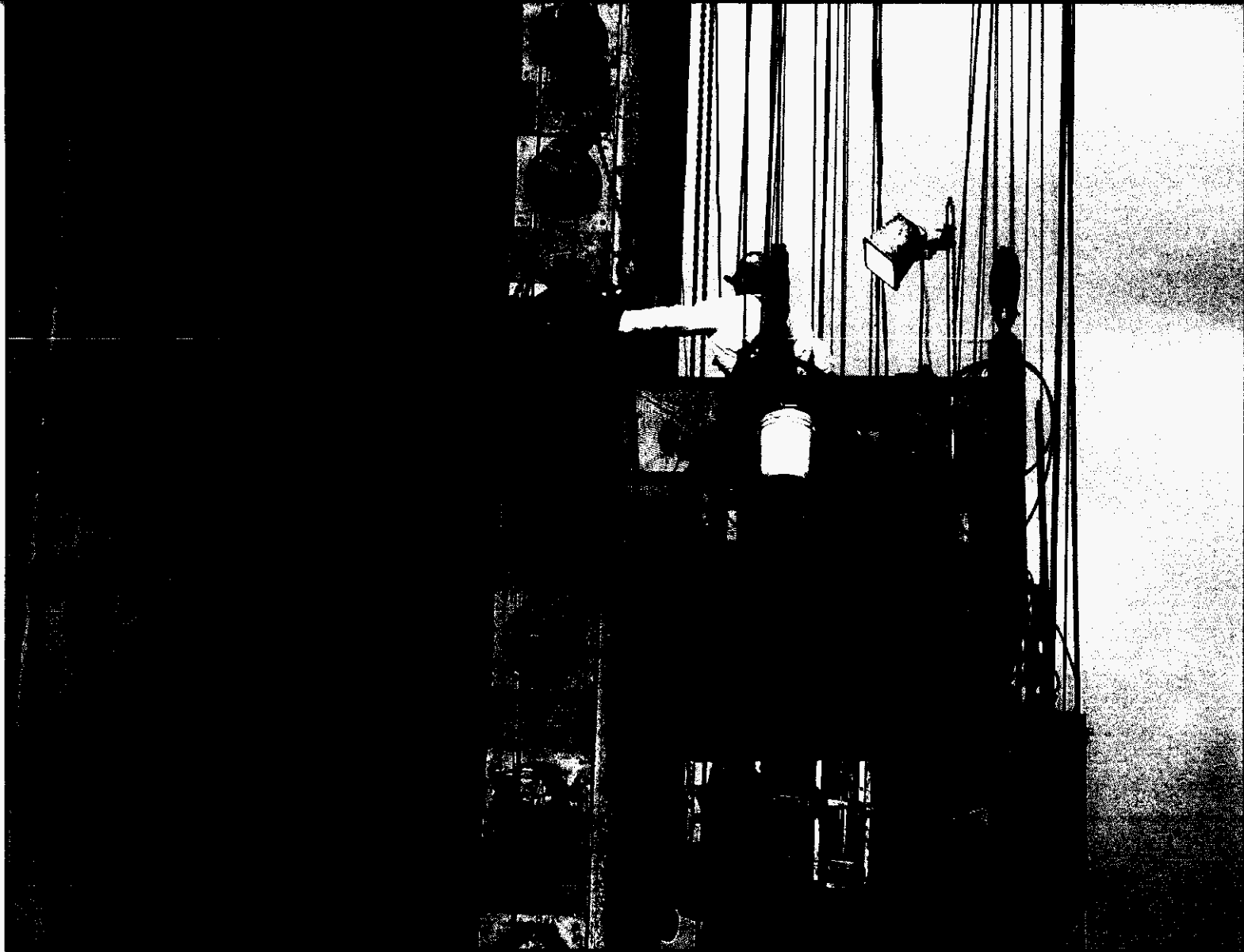
125 psi



Step: Step-4_Seq53
Increment 1: Step Time = 1.000
Primary Var: S, Max. Principal
Deformed Var: U Deformation Scale Factor: +1.000e+02

De-tensioning for Repair

Horizontal Tendons



Delamination Removal

Hydro-Excavation in Progress



Bay 3 - 4 Horizontal & Vertical Cracks *Observed During Hydro-Demolition Activities*

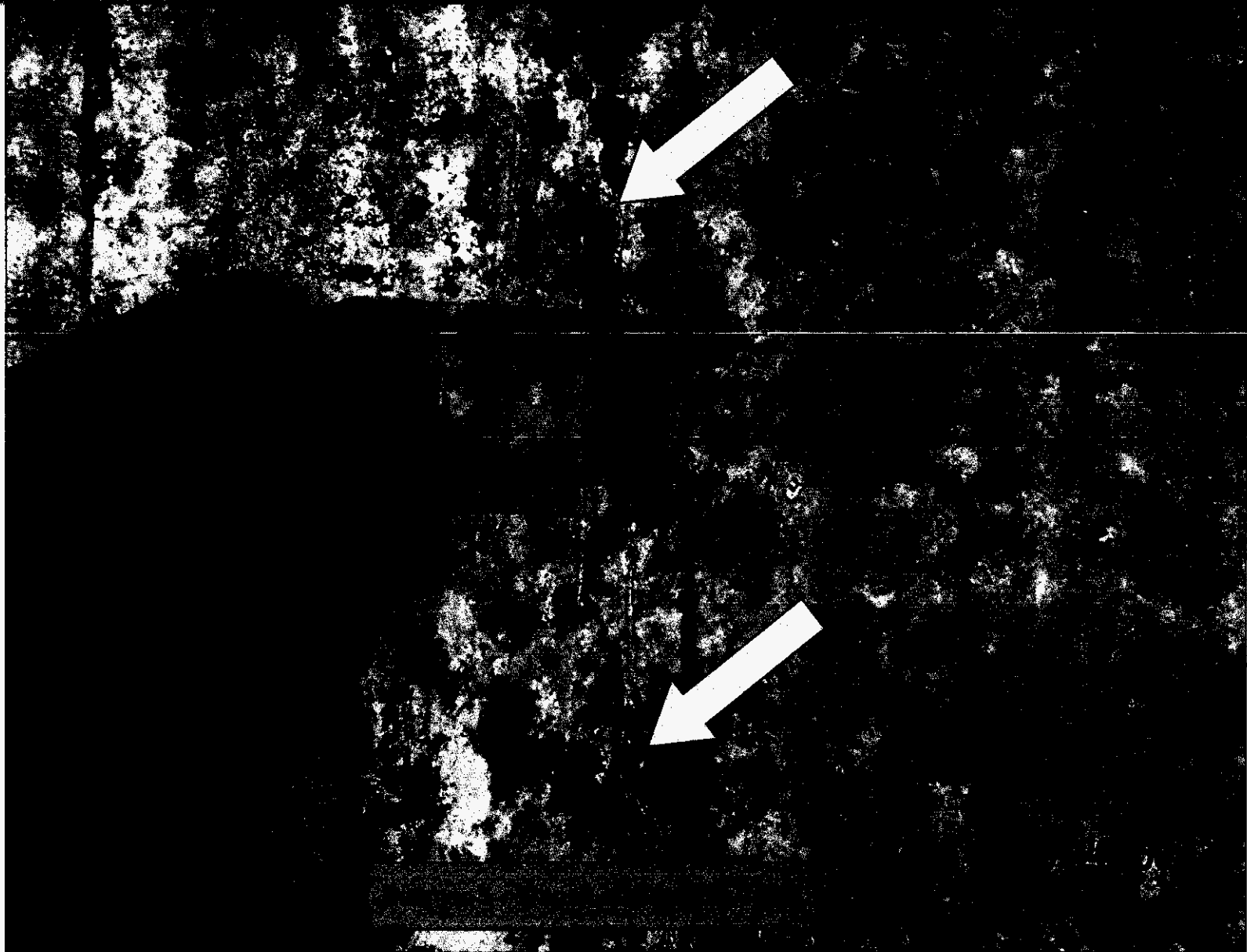


Bay 3 - 4 Horizontal & Vertical Cracks

Remaining Vertical Cracks Requiring Repair



Cracks Outside Bay 3 – 4



Vertical Crack Remediation

Installation of Safety Steel Required During Repair of Cracks



Vertical Crack Remediation

Hydro-Excavation Tool Excavating a Vertical Crack



Installation of Rebar and Tendon Sleeves



Concrete Placement



Tendon Re-Tensioning

First Phase in Progress



REMAINING SCHEDULE SUMMARY



Current Return to Service Estimate

Remaining Activity	Estimated Duration
Complete Phase 1 of Re-Tensioning	14 Days
Complete Engineering for Final Phase of Re-tensioning	12 Days (Currently in parallel with Phase 1)
Complete Phase 2 Re-Tensioning	27 Days (Actual duration depends on uncertainties detailed in later slide)
Containment Testing	16 Days
Plant Start Up	9 Days

Note: All durations based on best information as of 01/21/11

STATUS OF REMAINING ACTIVITIES



Re-tensioning Scope and Sequence

- **Tendon Re-Tensioning**
 - 155 Horizontal
 - 64 Verticals that were fully de-tensioned
 - 80 Verticals will be reset to original tension
- **Utilizing “Partial” tensioning steps**
 - Horizontal tendons partially tensioned to 50% of final tension
 - Horizontal Passes 1, 3, 4 released are all 50% of final tension (“Partial”)
 - Later passes will then fully tension to final tension
 - Tendons within a sequence step will be tensioned simultaneously in increments
- **11 Passes (4 Vertical and 7 Horizontal)**
- **Only First Phase (4 Passes) Currently Approved by Engineering**

Engineering for Final Phase of Re-Tensioning

Description of Engineering Model

- **Abaqus Visco-Elastic Fracture Energy Model Significantly Improved & More Complex from De-tensioning**
 - Model informed by root cause; calibrated to recreate SGR delamination
 - Model includes individual tendons, sleeves, liner and rebar
 - Model recreates entire “life” of containment
 - Material Property Assessment – new testing plus root cause results
 - Two Main Model Components: Global & Microscope
- **Global Model**
 - Entire containment; less detailed mesh; displacements and stresses
 - Approximately 250,000 elements / 5 million degrees of freedom
 - Element size in dome / cylinder cross-sections from 1.3 to 6.8 inches thick.
 - Global used to define stresses and displacements for entire building – sets boundary condition as input to microscope models
 - Can not model cracking

Engineering for Final Phase of Re-Tensioning

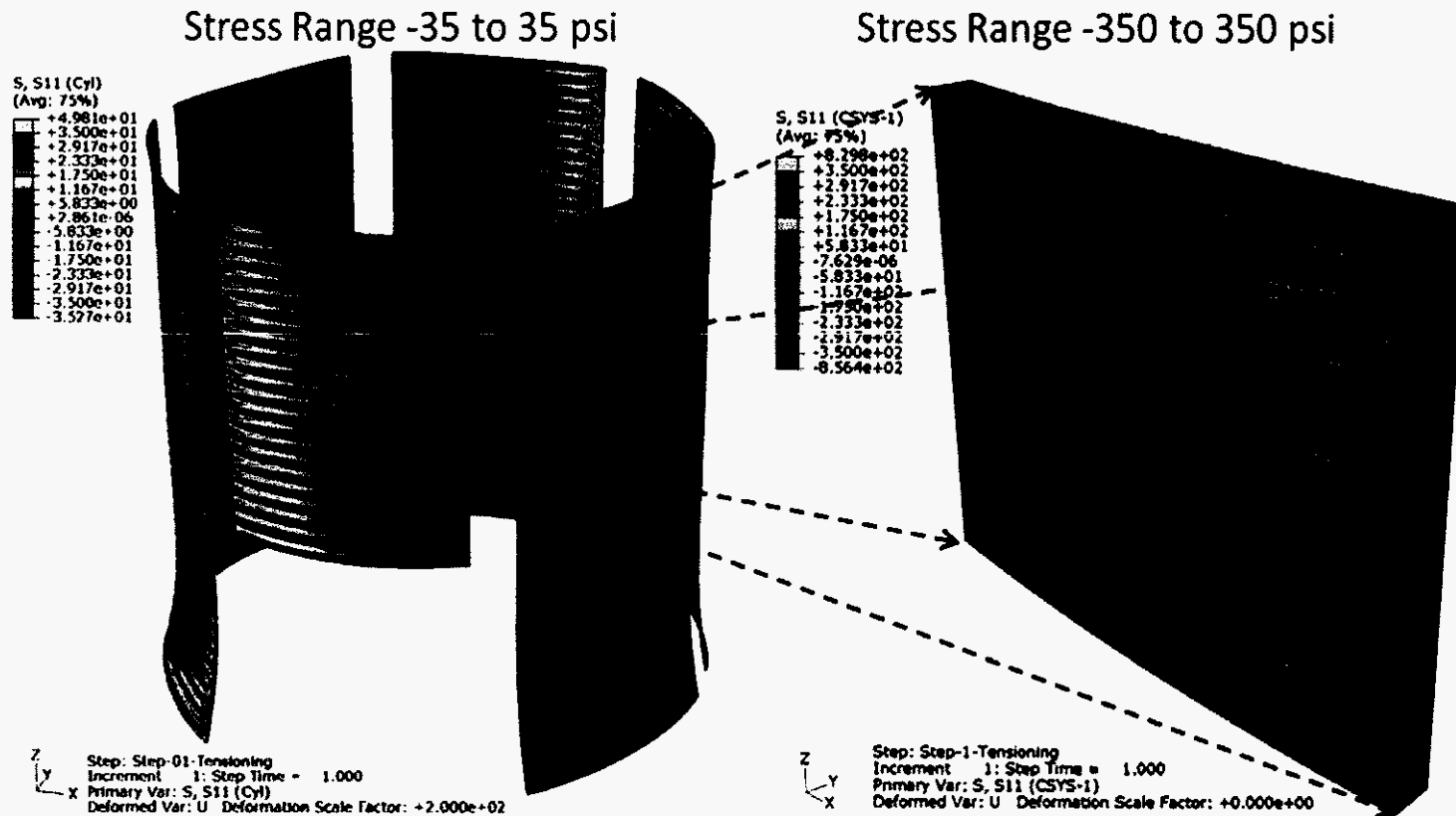
Description of Engineering Model (continued)

- **Microscope Model**

- Covers 4 vertical and 6 hoop tendons (3 pairs); very detailed mesh; fracture energy and cracking
- 1.3 million degrees of freedom
- Mesh size of approx. 1 square inch (vs approx. 1 sq ft of Global)
- The model includes the liner as a fully-coupled member

Engineering for Final Phase of Re-Tensioning

Global to Microscope Model



Engineering for Final Phase of Re-Tensioning

Example Microscope Model Result

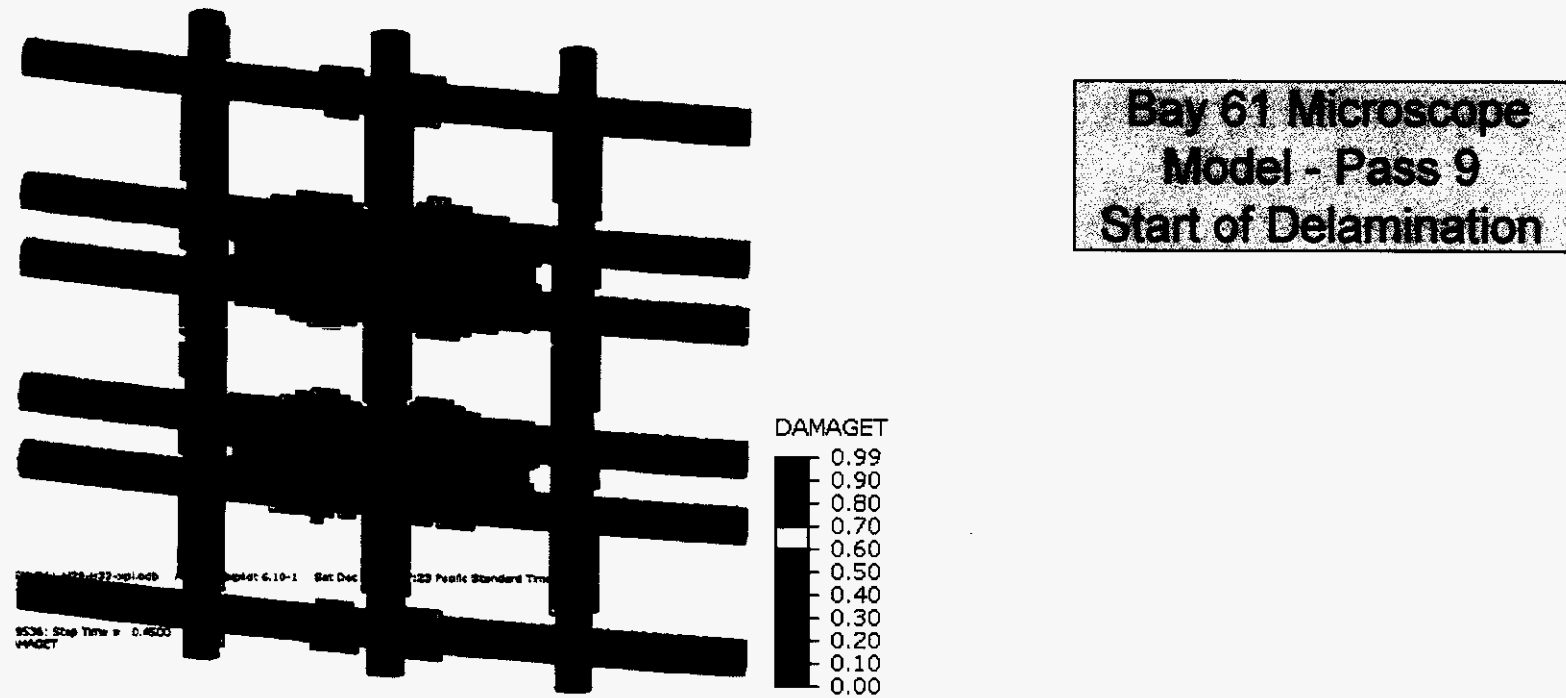


Figure B.9 Bay 61 H29-H32 Az 330, with creep recovery, almost through Pass 9. This is an example of an index 12 condition.

Engineering for Final Phase of Re-Tensioning

Stress Mapping of Re-Tensioning

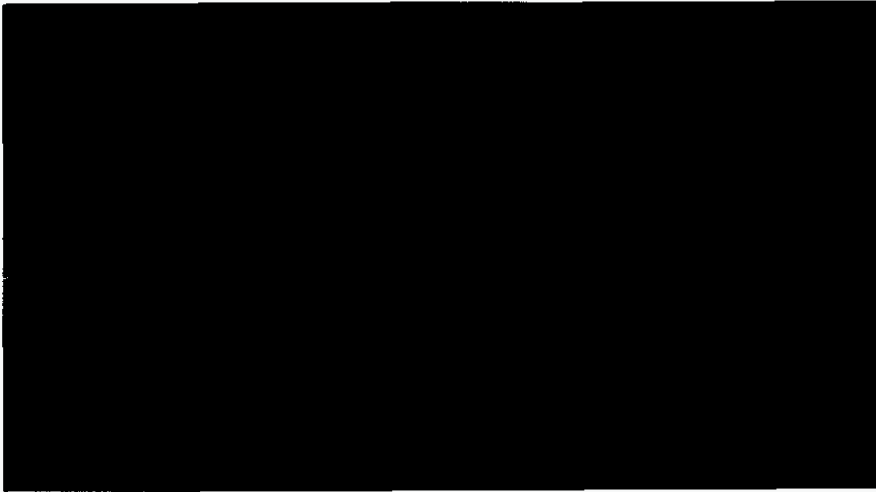


Figure 1.14 Radial component of stress after the same tendon is partially (50%) re-tensioned.

Horizontal Tendon
Peak stress 597 psi
At 50% Re-tensioning

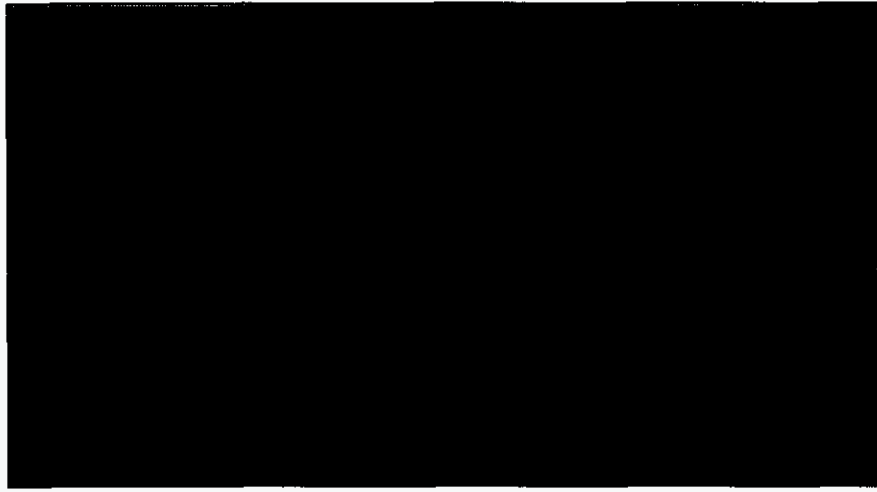


Figure 1.15 Radial component of stress after the same tendon is tensioned to 100% (full 74% GUTS).

Horizontal Tendon
Peak stress 950 psi
At 100% Re-tensioning

Re-tensioning Phase Monitoring

Validation of Response and Prevent Damage

- Strain Gages
- Acoustic Emissions
- Building Deformation Checks With Laser Scans

Re-tensioning Phase Monitoring Strain Gages Monitoring Forces Through Wall

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Engineering Change

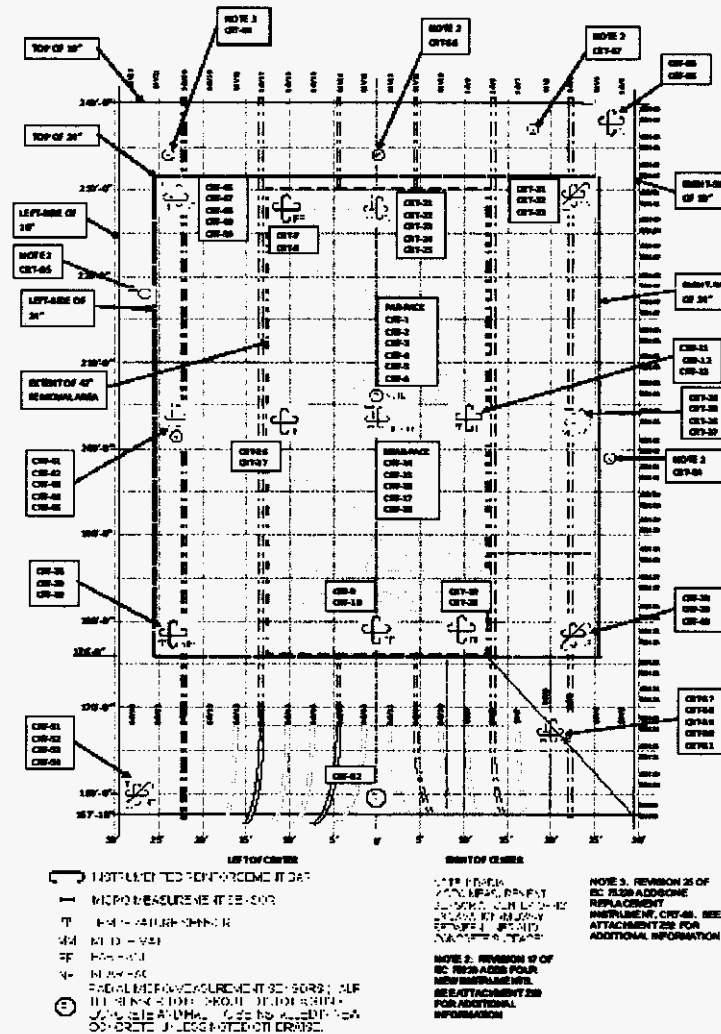
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EMBEDDED INSTRUMENTS LOCATION MAP

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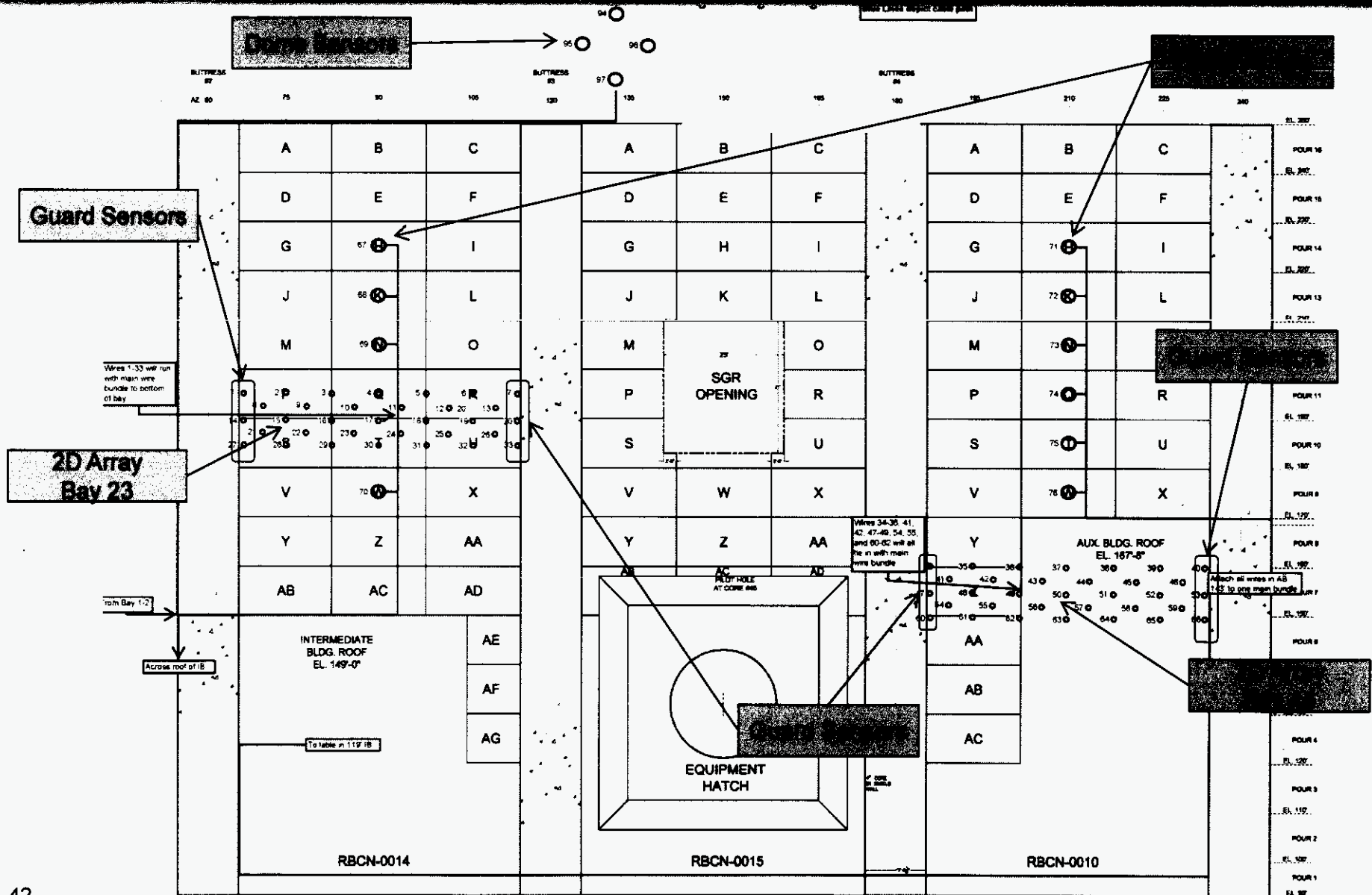
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Strain Gage Locations
In Repair Bay 3-4



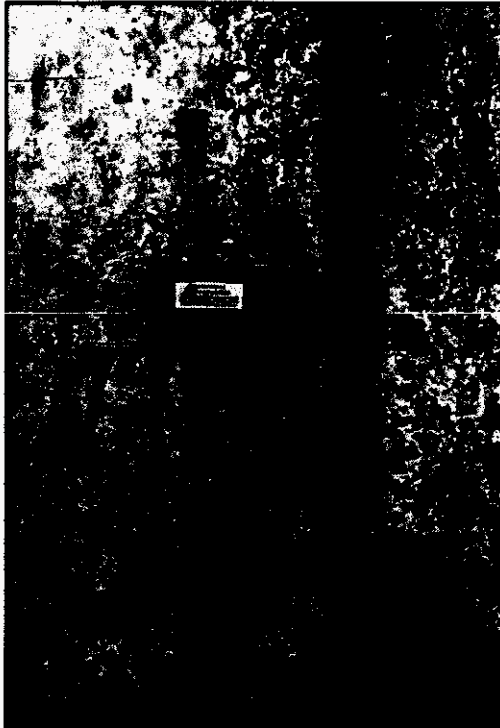
Re-tensioning Phase Monitoring

Acoustic Sensors Monitoring for Any Damage

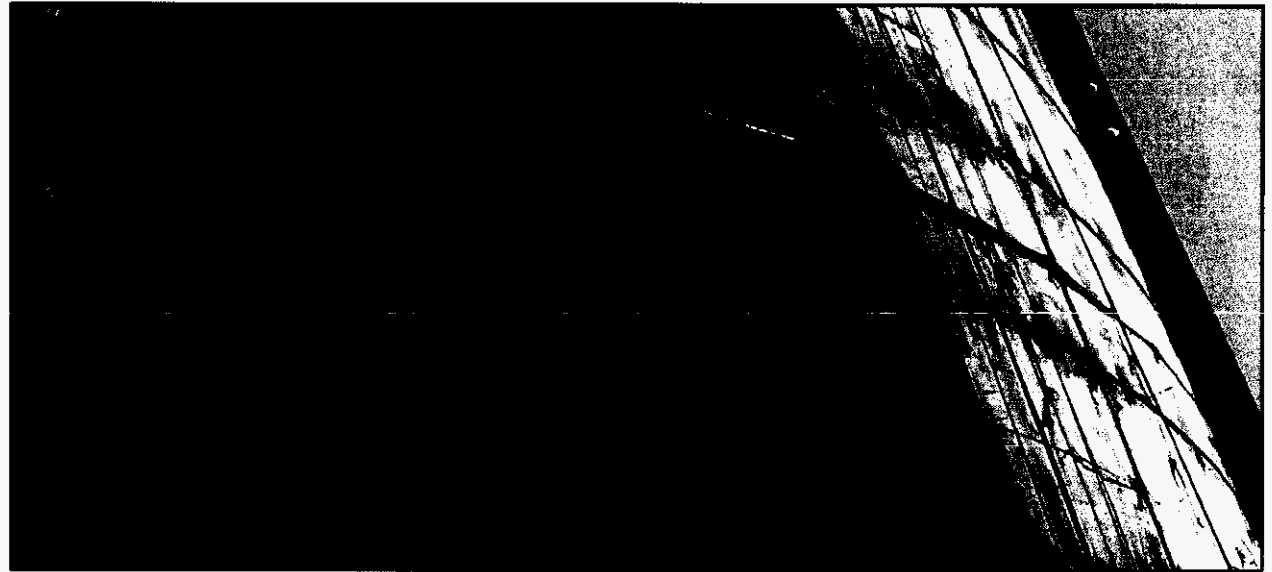


Re-tensioning Phase Monitoring

Acoustic Sensors Monitoring for Any Damage



Acoustic Monitoring Sensor



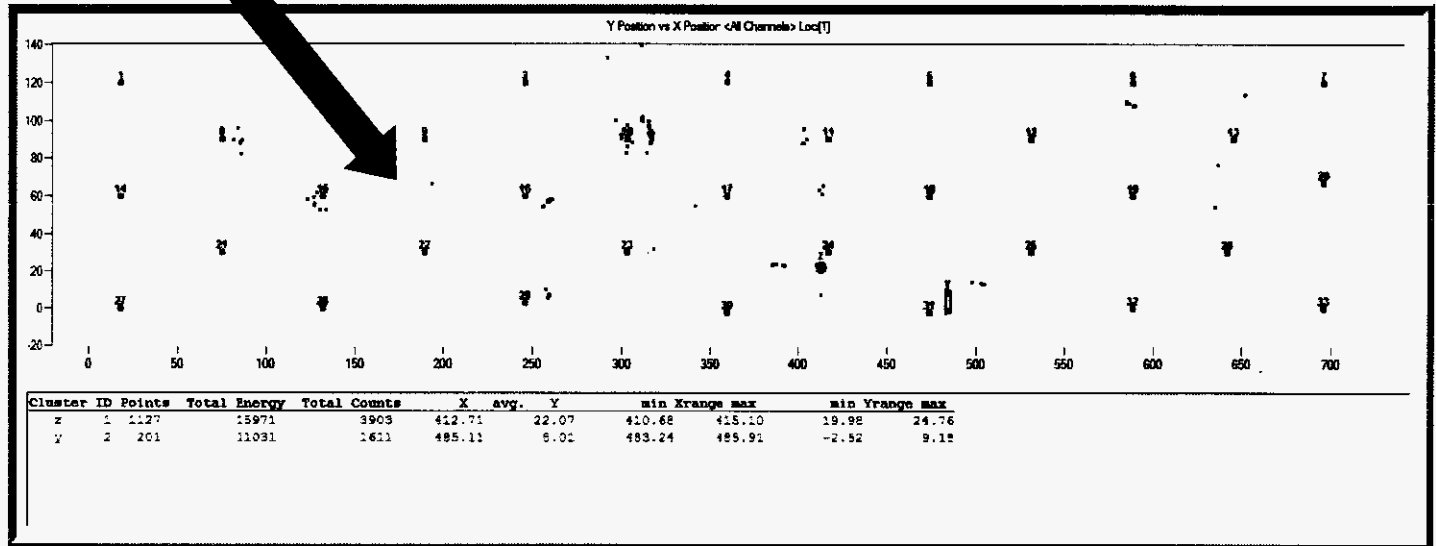
Panel 2-3 10 ft x 60 ft 2D Array

Re-tensioning Phase Monitoring

Acoustic Sensors Monitoring for Any Damage



Acoustic Monitoring
Data Acquisition System
2D Array Data Example



Re-tensioning Phase Monitoring

Laser Scan Validation of Building Response

- **Deformation Checks With Laser Scans**
 - Laser scans technology from inside containment
 - Measures radial deformation of containment walls (liner) at specific intervals
 - Actual vs. predicted analytical model deformation compared
 - Engineering to review data
 - Use for potential uncertainty improvements for later passes
- **Contingencies Based on Monitoring, Include;**
 - Non Destructive Test - impulse response
 - Non Destructive Test - impact echo
 - Concrete cores with boroscopic examinations
 - Further engineering analysis/evaluation

Post Modification Testing

After Re-tensioning Prior to Pressure Test(s)

- **Impulse Response (IR) Testing**
 - Post re-tensioning IR testing in 5 bays required
 - All bays except the repair area bay 3-4
 - Not required based on comprehensive strain gages in bay 34
 - Compare to IR testing results from post de-tensioning testing
- **Visual Concrete Examination Repair Bay 3-4 and Other Repair Areas (e.g. core bore locations)**
- **Visual Steel Liner Examination at SGR Opening and Containment Instrumentation Attachment Locations**
- **Pre- Pressure Testing Concrete Crack Mapping**
- **Post Re-tensioning Laser Scan Measurements**

Post Modification Testing

Pressure Testing to Validate Function

- **Structural Integrity Test (SIT)**
 - Pressurizes building to 115% of design pressure (63.5 psig)
 - Displacements monitored at specific pressure increments
 - Crack mapping at peak pressure
 - Strain gage monitoring
- **After Structural Integrity Test (SIT)**
 - Crack mapping
 - Visual concrete examination repaired bay 3-4
 - Visual steel liner examination at SGR opening and SIT instrumentation attachment locations
 - Laser scan validation of building dimensions
- **Integrated Leak Rate Testing (ILRT)**
 - Performs validation of leak boundary at design pressure

Operational Start-Up Activities

- **Equipment Tested to Extent Possible**
 - ◆ Extended power up rate equipment
 - ◆ Steam plant components
- **Start Up Readiness Reviews**
 - ◆ Institute of Nuclear Power Operations special assistance
 - ◆ Nuclear Generation Group fleet assessment
- **Operational Crew Certification Examination**
- **Technical Staff Training Reviews/ Refreshers**
- **Start Up Testing Integrated into Schedule and Procedures**

Potential Schedule Impacts

- **Re-tensioning Analysis not Complete Prior to Completion of Phase 1**
- **Containment Monitoring Equipment Alerts During Re-Tensioning**
- **Routine Construction Delays**
 - ◆ Equipment failures
 - ◆ Emergent work
 - ◆ Weather Delays
- **NRC Reviews**
- **Identification of Start Up Testing Equipment Issues**

Next Steps After Return to Service - John Burnett

- **Calculate Final Replacement Power Costs**
- **Collect and Process Remaining Documents for Production Room**
- **Comprehensive Briefing and Q&A to FPSC and Parties**
- **Proceed with Complete Case Filings**

Summary & Questions

