Dose Reduction Initiatives at Arkansas Nuclear One

ALARA Initiatives

- Permanent Shielding and Supports
- Non Typical Shielding for:
 - > Typical Applications
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- Alloy 600 Project Source Term Reduction

Permanent Shielding and Supports

- Reactor Vessel Closure Head Shroud Thickness
- Incore Instr. Flange Insulation/Shielding
- Modular Shielding Supports for Floor Applications
- Letdown Piping Shield Rack
- Decay Heat Cooler Shield Racks in Auxiliary Bldg
- Decay Heat Piping Shield Racks in Containment

Non-Typical Shielding

- Silicone Polymer impregnated with Tungsten, Iron or Lead Powder
- More efficient use of engineered weight than wool blanket
- Can be molded to fit specific geometry
- Flexible, dimensions are forgiving, easy to handle
- "Tape" form can be installed in congested areas.
- High temperature rating (250 C)

Typical Applications

- Floor of Main Refueling Bridge
- Small Bore Instrument Root Valves
- Decay Heat Piping (6" dia. cross-over pipe)
- Pre-formed for specific Pipe Diameter (2.5" dia. predominant)

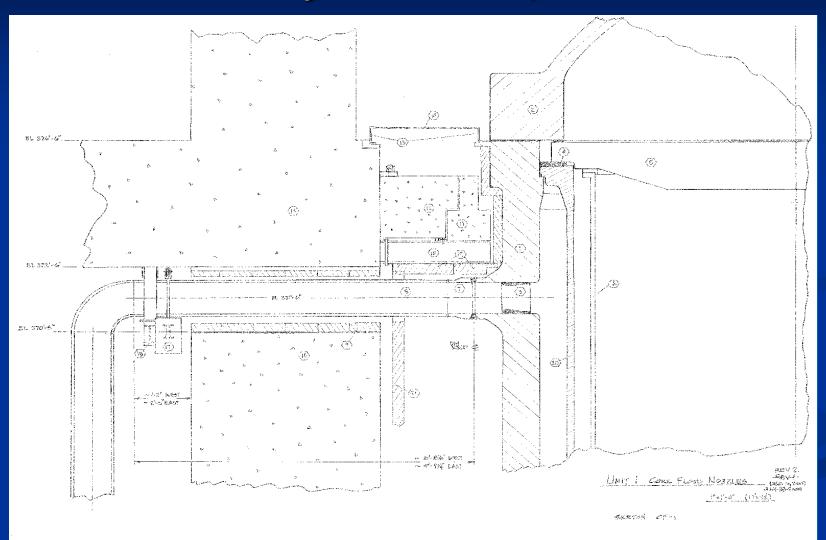
Non Typical Applications

- Reactor Vessel Closure Head magnetic shields
- Primary Shield Wall Penetrations (Alloy 600)
- Seismic Gap during Fuel Movement
- Control Element Assembly Motor Tubes 6" wraps, multiple use.
- Control Rod Drive Work Platform

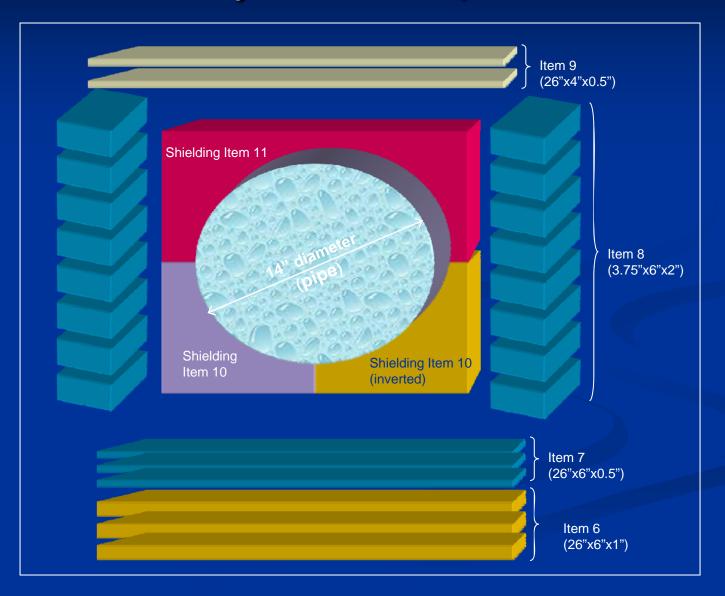
Core Flood (CF) Dissimilar Metal Weld Mitigation

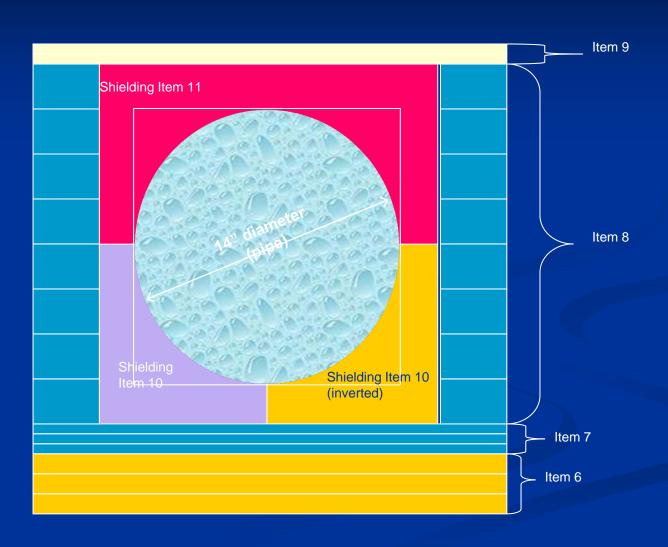
- Most common DMW Mitigation method is Weld Overlay
- CF DMW general area dose rate is 1.5 R/hr
 (Preliminary est for WOL method 60 170 Rem)
- Weld "Onlay" to Pipe Inside Diameter was Low Dose Option (Actual dose = 48 rem)
 - "Onlay" method not used previously in US
 - Vendor developed equipment in 2008

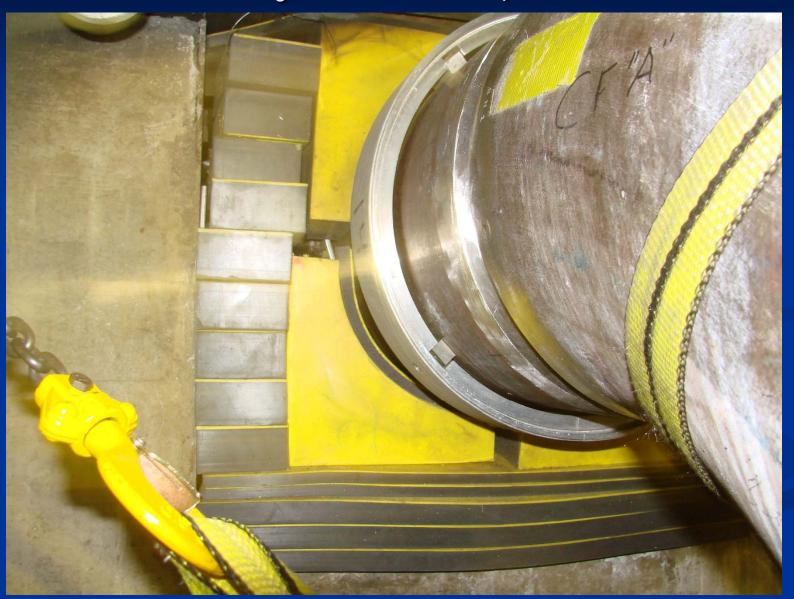
- Silicone / Tungsten Shielding
 - Primary Shield Wall Penetrations (Rx streaming)
 - •Pipe ID Shield / FME Plug dual purpose
- Mechanical Honing of Core Flood Piping
 - Flexible Hones Removed Tenacious Oxide Layer
 - Reduced Dose Rates from 700 to 120 mrem/hr
 - Reduced Contamination levels from 2 Rad/hr to 30K dpm/100 cm2. 5 PCEs in 10,000 RWP-hrs.













Incore Instrument Flange Integral Shielding and Insulation



Decay Heat Piping Permanent Shield Rack



Letdown Piping Shield Rack



Floor / Piping Shield Rack

