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ABSTRACT

A conservative calculation of equilibrium temperatures and heatup rates for the reactor coolant system (RCS) draindown to head removal level (321.5 ft. elevation) has determined that the draindown with no supplemental heat removal can be accomplished after December 1, 1982 without exceeding the temperature criterion. A similar conservative analysis for RCS draindown to the bottom of the reactor vessel nozzles (314 ft. elevation) supports draindown after January 1, 1984 without exceeding the temperature criterion. The criterion is that fluid temperatures do not exceed 170°F.

These conservative calculations were made with models originally developed in the TMI-2 Decay Heat Removal Analysis of April 1982. In addition, best estimate models, benchmarked to temperatures measured following the partial draindown for the Quick Look inspection, were developed and used to predict the expected reactor coolant system heatup following the draindown to head removal level and draindown to the bottom of the reactor vessel nozzles. The best estimate models predict that draindown with no supplemental heat removal can be accomplished after December 1, 1982 for both draindown levels without exceeding the 170°F temperature criterion.

INTRODUCTION

The TMI-2 reactor has been in the decay heat natural circulation cooling mode for the past several years. In July 1982, the reactor coolant system (RCS) was partially drained to permit access for the Quick Look inspection. The next step in the recovery process called for draining down the RCS furthur to allow removal of the reactor vessel head. An analysis was performed to determine whether the TMI-2 decay heat loss to containment is sufficient to support the RCS draindown to head removal level (321.5 Ft. elevation) without exceeding the temperature criterion. It was concluded that the draindown to reactor head removal level can be accomplished after December 1, 1982 without exceeding the 170°F criterion.

An additional analysis was performed to determine whether the TMI-2 reactor decay heat loss to containment is sufficient to support the RCS draindown to the bottom of the reactor vessel nozzles (314 Ft. elevation) without exceeding the temperature criterion. The temperatures predicted with the April 1982 conservative models for December 1, 1982 and July 1, 1983 draindown dates exceed the 170°F criterion. This is the result of the large degree of conservatism in the decay heat generation, heat transfer, and heat capacity models.

Two best estimate models have been developed for draindown to the reactor vessel nozzle level; one including the hot legs' and steam generators' heat transfer areas and heat capacities and the other not including them. The reason for two best estimate models is uncertainty whether the steam generators would be in effective thermal communication with the core with the cold legs no longer full. Both best estimate models, however, yield temperature prediction well below the 170°F temperature limit.

SIGNIFICANCE OF QUICK LOOK DATA

During the month following the draindown for the Quick Look inspection, the RCS water temperature and reactor building ambient temperature were monitored daily. These data differ significantly from the data upon which the TMI-2 Decay Heat Removal Analysis Report of April 1982 was based in that the new data depict the dynamic temperature response of the RCS rather than "snapshots" of equilibrium temperatures. The advantage of the dynamic data is that it provides an indication of effective system heat capacity which steady-state data cannot. The system heat capacity in turn provides an indication of how much of the RCS is involved in the heat transfer process. Thus the new data provides an opportunity to further refine the existing analytical models and increases confidence in analytical predictions.

ASSESSMENT OF EXISTING MODELS

As a first step, the Quick Look draindown was simulated with the analytical models from the April 1982 analysis. The RCS heatup thus calculated was then compared to the measured RCS temperatures to assess the degree of conservatism in the existing analytical models. The comparison of the predicted and measured temperature trends is shown on Figure 1. As expected, the existing models predict higher RCS temperatures than actually measured. Thus it can be concluded that the models developed in the April 1982 analysis are conservative. Each model will be described briefly.

The existing models to be used in this assessment, decay heat generation, heat transfer, and heat capacity, were those developed in the April 1982 analysis to predict RCS temperatures after partial draindown. The decay heat model provides a conservative calculation of core power based on ANSI/ANS 5.1 - 1979 standard methodology. The decay heat power values for the time frame of interest are shown on Figure 2.

The heat transfer model assumes heat to be transferred only through the reactor vessel walls, lower dome, closure head, and hot legs. This model does not allow any heat transfer through the steam generators or cold legs to assure conservative results. Thus only the reactor building ambient air temperature is needed to predict RCS bulk water temperatures. The reactor building ambient temperatures used in both the previous and the current analyses are from the TMI-2 daily logsheets. Since only one reactor building temperature was recorded, it was necessarily assumed that the ambient air temperature is constant throughout the reactor building. (The April 1982 analysis further assumed that water in the reactor building sump was 60^{o}F and that both RCS loops contribute to heat transfer, and also averaged temperatures for nodes between measured temperatures.) The conservative heat transfer model used in the current analysis is summarized in Table 1.

The heat capacity model includes only those portions of the RCS consistent with the heat transfer model, i.e., only the reactor vessel and the water contained in it. This produces a conservatively small system heat capacity which results in a fast RCS heatup. The heat capacity model is summarized in Table 2.

Having shown the existing models to be conservative, the drain down to reactor vessel head removal level can be simulated. The equilibrium temperatures and heatup rates thus calculated should be appropriate for licensing submittals.

CONSERVATIVE ANALYSIS OF DRAINDOWN TO HEAD REMOVAL LEVEL

Using the models as developed in the April 1982 analysis and as described in the preceding section with slight modification, the further RCS draindown to reactor vessel head removal level was simulated. The modifications to reflect the further draindown were a reduction in heat transfer area and a reduction in system heat capacity. It was assumed that no heat would be transferred through the reactor vessel head when drained down. This assumption reduces the reactor heat transfer area by 170 square feet. In addition, the lowering of the RCS water level reduces the system heat capacity. The resulting models are shown in Table 3.

The objective of this analysis was two-fold:

1) To determine the equilibrium RCS bulk water temperature on several specific dates given the reactor building ambient temperature.

2) To determine the RCS heatup rate starting at specified initial temperatures on specified dates.

The dates in question are December 1, 1982, July 1, 1983, and January 1, 1984. The reactor building ambient temperatures are 70°F in winter and 85°F in summer, and the initial RCS temperatures are 100 and 130°F.

The method used to calculate the equilibrium RCS temperatures is based upon the equation: $Q = \Sigma UA(t_{RCS}-t_{AMB})$

where: Q is decay heat

U is the air side film coefficient (since it is dominant)

A is the surface area

t_{RCS} is the reactor vessel bulk water temperature

t_{AMB} is the reactor building ambient temperature

This equation can be solved for t_{RCS} since the values of all the other terms are known:

$$t_{RCS}=t_{AMB}+Q/\Sigma UA.$$

The results of the equilibrium RCS temperature analysis with the RCS drained down to head removal level are as follows:

Date	Equilibrium RCS Water Temperature
December 1, 1982	165.3°F
July 1, 1983	158.0°F
January 1, 1984	130.3°F

It is significant to note that all of these equilibrium temperatures are less than the 170°F criterion adopted to maintain a positive margin to boiling.

The method used to calculate the RCS heatup rates following draindown is based upon the equation: $Q_{NET}(t)=\Sigma mc_p(t_{NEXT}-t_{NOW})$

where: $Q_{NET}(t)$ is the difference between decay heat generated and heat transferred out, discretized by time

Σmc_p is the system heat capacity

t_{NOW} is the RCS water temperature in the current timestep

t_{NEXT} is the RCS water temperature for the next timestep

This equation can be rearranged and solved for sequential timesteps to calculate the RCS heatup rate starting at a given initial RCS temperature:

$$t_{NEXT}=t_{NOW}+Q_{NET}(t)/\Sigma mc_p$$

The results of this analysis of heatup rates are shown on Figure 3. The temperature traces are asymptotically approaching the equilibrium temperatures calculated above.

The results reported in this section support the conclusion that the RCS can be drained down to reactor vessel head removal level without exceeding the temperature criterion after December 1, 1982. These results, however, are conservative and are not expected to be observed during the actual RCS draindown. The next section identifies the sources of the conservatism in these results in preparation for a best-estimate calculation of temperatures that are expected to be observed during the RCS draindown.

IDENTIFICATION OF CONSERVATISM

In order to quantify the degree of conservatism in the results reported in the preceding section, best-estimate models for decay heat generation, system heat capacity, and heat transfer were generated. The Quick Look temperature data was used for benchmarking best-estimate type models. Once these models were developed, temperatures resulting from the RCS draindown to reactor vessel head removal level were calculated.

I. Decay Heat

The ANSI decay heat prediction method is believed to be very conservative in its treatment of the neutron absorption factor (G factor) which causes high decay heat predictions during the time frame of interest. The TMI-2 decay heat analysis based upon the LOR-2 code (the B&W version of ORIGIN) is estimated to provide a more realistic prediction or best-estimate of the decay heat power levels. A comparison of the LOR-2 and ANSI based decay heat power levels is shown in Figure 4. The LOR-2 based decay heat power levels were used for best-estimate purposes.

II. System Heat Capacity

The system heat capacity was expanded significantly to reproduce the shape of the measured Quick Look temperatures. The physical description of the best-estimate system heat capacity is shown on Table 4. Minor core and reactor vessel internals contributions were added along with hot leg piping. The major new contributors, however, were the steam generators and the primary and secondary side water in them. Only 50% of the total available steam generator/water heat capacity, however, was needed to reproduce the measured temperature trace. This magnitude of effective contribution to system heat capacity appears credible and was thus assumed for best-estimate purposes.

III. Heat Transfer

The heat transfer model was expanded to remain consistent with the system heat capacity model. In addition to the reactor vessel, the new heat transfer model included all of the hot legs and the steam generators. Since the hot leg to ambient and steam generator to ambient temperature difference is not known, a factor was determined which could be applied to the core to ambient temperature difference to estimate the effective hot leg or steam generator to ambient temperature difference. This factor, .27, balances the heat transfer to produce the measured terminal temperature at the end of the RCS heatup. One other refinement was made to the heat transfer coefficients. The constant value coefficients developed in the April 1982 analysis were replaced by temperature difference dependent air film correlations from the ASHRAE handbook. The best-estimate heat transfer model thus developed is summarized in Table 5.

The Quick Look draindown temperatures calculated with these best-estimate models are compared to the measured heatup temperatures in Figure 5. The agreement between measured and calculated temperatures is excellent. These best-estimate models were used to simulate the RCS draindown to reactor vessel head removal level.

BEST ESTIMATE ANALYSIS OF DRAINDOWN TO HEAD REMOVAL LEVEL

Using the best-estimate models developed in the preceding section, the RCS draindown to head removal level can be simulated. Only a few modifications were needed to reflect the further draindown. The system heat capacity was decreased both by the lowered water level on the primary side and the assumed complete draining of the steam generator secondary side water. The total system heat capacity was reduced to 584,132 BTU/^{o}F. The only change to the heat transfer model was to assume that no heat is transferred through the closure head dome.

Using the same methods and reactor building ambient temperatures as before, but with the best-estimate models, the following equilibrium temperatures were determined:

Date	Equilibrium RCS Water Temperature
December 1, 1982	111.6^{o}F
July 1, 1983	120.1^{o}F

The July 1983 equilibrium temperature is higher than the December 1982 temperature (when more decay heat is being generated) because the ambient temperature assumed for July is 15^{o}F higher (85^{o}F versus 70^{o}F). The heatup rates calculated with the best-estimate models assuming an initial RCS temperature of 100^{o}F are shown on Figure 6. Again the temperature traces asymptotically approach the calculated equilibrium temperatures.

CONVERVATIVE ANALYSIS OF DRAINDOWN TO BOTTOM OF REACTOR VESSEL NOZZLES

Several modifications to the existing conservative models developed for draindown to head removal level were made to reflect further draindown to the bottom of the reactor vessel nozzles. It was again assumed that no heat would be transferred through the reactor vessel head when drained down. In addition, because of the even lower water level, no heat was assumed transferred through the upper shell, head support and closure flange. This reduced the reactor heat transfer area an additional 390 square feet and also lowered the system heat capacity. (See Table 6)

The equilibrium RCS bulk water temperatures were determined for the previously specified dates and are as follows:

Date	Equilibrium RCS Water Temperature
December 1, 1982	198.0°F
July 1, 1983	183.1°F
January 1, 1984	151.1°F

As the results above show, the existing conservative models do not predict RCS temperatures within the 170°F temperature criterion until January 1, 1984. The temperatures for earlier dates exceed the 170°F criterion. As noted on page 9, however, these conservative values are not expected to be observed during the actual RCS draindown.

The results of heatup rate calculations based on this conservative model are shown in Figure 7. The temperature traces asymptotically approach the above calculated equilibrium temperatures.

BEST ESTIMATE ANALYSIS OF DRAINDOWN TO BOTTOM OF REACTOR VESSEL NOZZLES

Modifications to the best-estimate models previously developed were made to reflect the further draindown. The system heat capacity was again decreased both by the lowered water level on the primary side and the assumed complete draining of the steam generator secondary side water. Uncertainty as to whether the steam generators would be in effective thermal communication with the core now that the cold legs were no longer full resulted in the development of two best estimate models: one including the heat transfer areas and heat capacities of the hot legs and steam generators and the other not including them. The uncertainty as to whether or not to include the hot legs and steam generators stems from uncertainty as to which of two possible heat transfer mechanisms accounted for the conbributions the hot legs and steam generators made to heat transfer and heat capacity that were deduced from heatup data following the draindown for Quick Look Inspection. One possible heat transfer mechanism is the convection of heated vapor up the hog legs to the steam generators. This mechanism would still function with the RCS water level at the bottom of the reactor vessel nozzles. The other possible mechanism is a stratified convective circulation through the cold legs to the steam generators. This mechanism would be interrupted by the reduced water level. Since the validity of each of the two possible heat transfer mechanisms is unknown. Two best estimate models are postulated. (See Table 7-10).

Using the same methods and reactor building ambient temperatures as before, but with the best-estimate models, the following equilibrium temperatures were determined:

Date	Equilibrium RCS Water Temperature	
	w/hot legs & Steam Gen.	w/o hot legs & Steam Gen.
December 1, 1982	116.8°F	148.7°F
July 1, 1983	124.6°F	151.5°F
January 1, 1984	104.8°F	128.5°F

Again, the July, 1983 equilibrium temperatures are higher than the December, 1982 temperatures because of the higher July ambient temperature (85°F versus 70°F). The heatup rates calculated with the best-estimate models are shown in Figures 8 and 9. These temperature traces also asymptotically approach the calculated equilibrium temperatures.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Both conservative and best-estimate equilibrium temperatures and heatup rates have been determined for draindown to the head removal level and to the bottom of the reactor vessel nozzles. The equilibrium temperatures and heatup rates calculated with the best-estimate models are predictably lower than those calculated with the models from the April 1982 analysis. For draindown to the head removal level (321.5 Ft. elevation), the conservative temperatures and heatup rates show that RCS temperatures do not exceed the 170°F criterion after December 1, 1982. The best-estimate temperatures and heatup rates are felt to be more representative of the expected RCS temperature response to the draindown to head removal level and are in the 110-120°F range. The conservative temperatures and heatup rates for draindown to the bottom of the reactor vessel nozzles (314 Ft. elevation) do exceed the 170°F criterion for December 1, 1982 and July 1, 1983. The best-estimate temperatures and heatup rates for this water level, however, are well below the criterion for all specified dates for the models both with and without hot leg/steam generator heat transfer areas.

It is the conclusion of these analyses that, based on the conservative models from the April, 1982 analysis, the RCS draindown to reactor vessel head removal level can be accomplished without exceeding the temperature criterion after December 1, 1982. Draindown to the bottom of the reactor vessel nozzles is supported by the conservative models from the April 1982 analysis after January 1, 1984. Based on the best-estimate models, however, RCS draindown to the bottom of the reactor vessel nozzles can be accomplished without exceeding the temperature criterion after December 1, 1982. The criterion is that RCS bulk water temperature does not exceed 170°F to insure adequate margin to boiling.

TABLE 1

Original Heat Transfer Model

Component	Heat Transfer Coefficient (BTU/hr-ft^2-$^\circ$F)	Surface Area (ft^2)
Bottom Head	.34	330
Lower & Intermediate Shells	.72	960
Upper Shells & Flanges	.71	390
Closure Head Dome	.89	170
Hot Leg Piping	.48	900

TABLE 2

Original Heat Capacity Model

Component	Mass (LBM)	Specific Heat (BTU/LBM-$^\circ$F)	Heat Capacity (BTU/$^\circ$F)
Reactor Vessel, Head & Studs	881,200	.115	101300
Water	248,500	1.00	248500
		Total	349800

TABLE 3

Conservative Models for Draindown to Reactor Vessel Head Removal Level

1. Heat Transfer Model

Component	Heat Transfer Coefficient (BTU/HR-FT²-°F)	Surface Area (FT²)
Bottom Head	.34	330
Lower & Intermediate Shells	.72	960
Upper Shells & Flanges	.71	390

2. Heat Capacity Model

Component	Mass (LBM)	Specific Heat (BTU/LBM-°F)	Heat Capacity (BTU/°F)
Reactor Vessel, Head, & Studs	881,200	.115	101,300
Water	213,487	1.00	213,500
		Total	314,800

TABLE 7

Best Estimate Heat Capacity Model For Draindown To Reactor Vessel Head Removal Level

Component	Heat Capacity (BTU/°F)
Reactor Vessel, Head, & Studs	101,300
Core Support Assembly	27,600
Plenum Assembly	11,500
Core	19,100
Hot Leg Piping	18,900
Water (Reactor vessel & hot legs)	270,500
Steam Generators	131,600*
Water (Primary side of stm. gen.)	82,700*
(Secondary side of stm. gen.)	123,700*
Total	786,900

* - Only 50% of the available steam generator and water heat capacity assumed to contribute to system heat capacity to match Quick Look measured temperature trend.

TABLE 5

Best Estimate Heat Transfer Model For Draindown To Reactor Vessel Head Removal Level

Component	Heat Transfer Correlation (Reference)	Surface Area (FT^2)
1) Reactor Vessel		
A. Bottom Head	1*	330
B. Lower & Intermediate Shells	2	960
C. Upper Shell & Flanges	2	390
D. Closure Head Dome	3	170
2) Hot Legs		
A. Reactor Vessel to Thermocouple	4	910
B. Candy Cane	4	530
3) Steam Generators	4	5050

* - Heat Transfer Correlations: ($BTU/HR-FT^2-^oF$)

1 $U=.10(\Delta t)^{.33}$

2 $U=.18(\Delta t)^{.33}$

3 $U=.22(\Delta t)^{.33}$

4 $U=.22(.27\Delta t)^{.33}$ Hot leg/ambient and stm. gen./ambient Δt estimated to be .27 of core/ambient Δt to match Quick Look measured temperatures.

TABLE 6

Conservative Models for Draindown to Bottom of Reactor Vessel Nozzles

1. Heat Transfer Model

Component	Heat Transfer Coefficient (BTU/HR-FT°- F)	Surface Area (FT°)
Bottom Head	.34	330
Lower & Intermediate Shells	.72	960

2. Heat Capacity Model

Component	Mass (LBM)	Specific Heat (BTU/LBM-°F)	Heat Capacity (BTU/°F)
Reactor Vessel, Head, & Studs	881,200	.115	101,300
Water	162,300	1.00	162,300
		Total	263,600

TABLE 7

Best Estimate Heat Capacity Model for Draindown to Bottom of Reactor Vessel Nozzles With Hot Leg & Steam Generator Areas

Component	Heat Capacity (BTU/°F)
Reactor Vessel, Head, & Studs	92,600
Core Support Assembly	27,600
Plenum Assembly	11,500
Core	19,100
Hot Leg Piping	18,900
Water (Reactor Vessel)	162,300
Steam Generators	131,600
Water (Steam Generators)	46,200
Total	509,800

TABLE 8

Best Estimate Heat Capacity Model for Draindown to Bottom of Reactor Vessel Nozzles Without Hot Leg & Steam Generator Areas

Component	Heat Capacity (BTU/°F)
Reactor Vessel, Head, & Studs	92,600
Core Support Assembly	27,600
Plenum Assembly	11,500
Core	19,100
Water (Reactor Vessel)	162,300
Total	313,100

TABLE 9

Best Estimate Heat Transfer Model for Draindown to Bottom of Reactor Vessel Nozzles With Hot Leg & Steam Generator Areas

Component	Heat Transfer Correlation* (Reference)	Surface Area (FT^2)
1) Reactor Vessel		
A. Bottom Head	1	330
B. Lower & Intermediate Shells	2	960
2) Hot Legs		
A. Reactor Vessel to Thermocouple	3	910
B. Candy Cane	3	530
3) Steam Generators	3	5050

TABLE 10

Best Estimate Heat Transfer Model for Draindown to Bottom of Reactor Vessel Nozzles Without Hot Leg & Steam Generator Areas

Component	Heat Transfer Correlation* (Reference)	Surface Area (FT^2)
1) Reactor Vessel		
A. Bottom Head	1	330
B. Lower & Intermediate Shells	2	960

* - Heat Transfer Correlations: (BTU/HR-FT^2-°F)

1 $U=.10(\Delta t)^{.33}$
2 $U=.18(\Delta t)^{.33}$
3 $U=.22(.27\Delta t)^{.33}$

Hot leg/ambient and stm. gen./ambient Δt estimated to be .27 of core/ambient Δt to match Quick Look measured temperatures.

Figure 1
Comparison of Measured and Predicted Quick Look Heatup -- Original Models

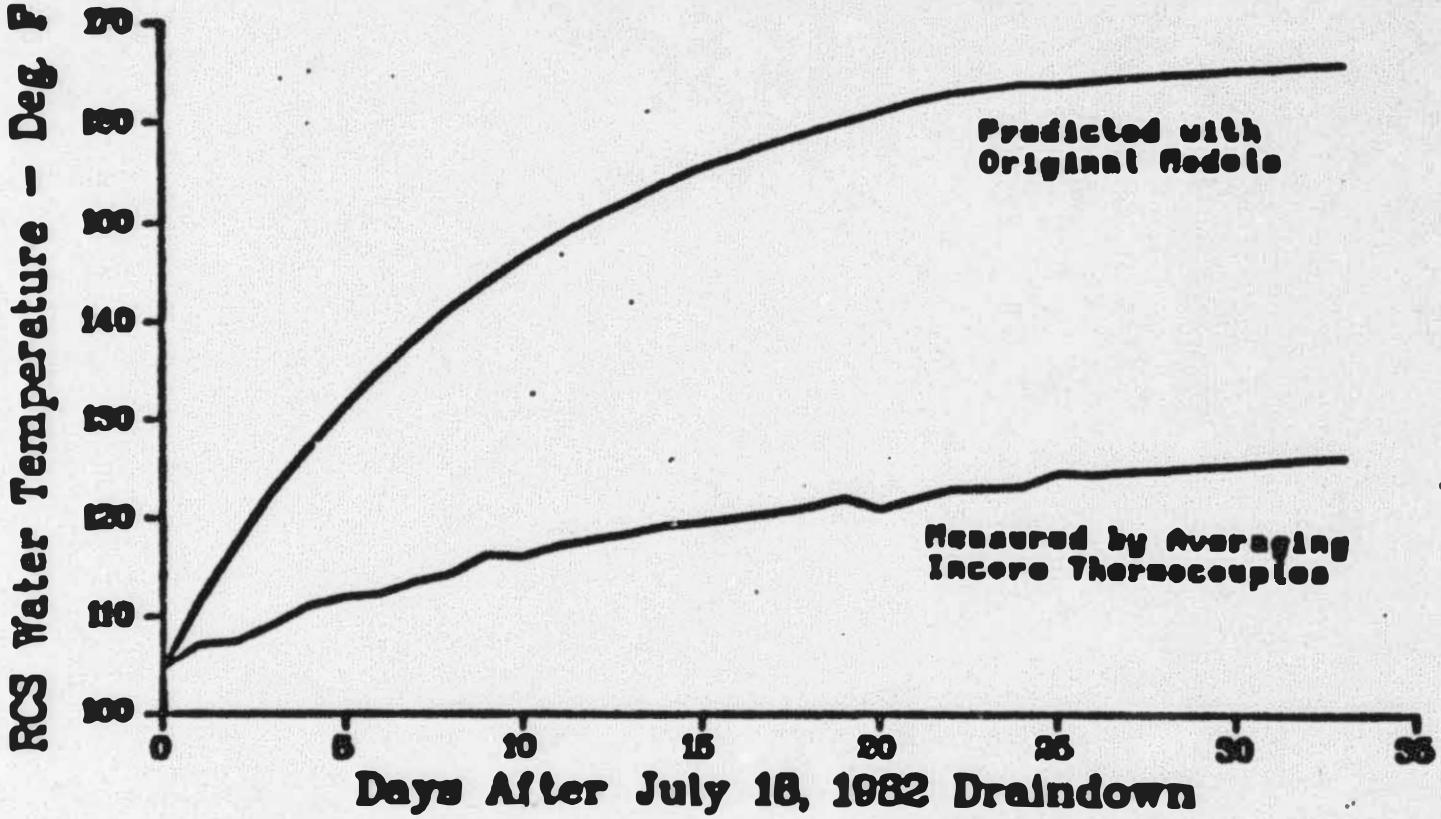

Figure 2
Conservative ANSI
Decay Heat Model
from April 82 Report
Decay Heat Power - KW
40
35
30
25
20
15
0
2
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8
10
12
14
16
18
Months After July 1982

Figure 3
RCS Heatup Rates Following
Head Removal Draindown
Using Conservative Models

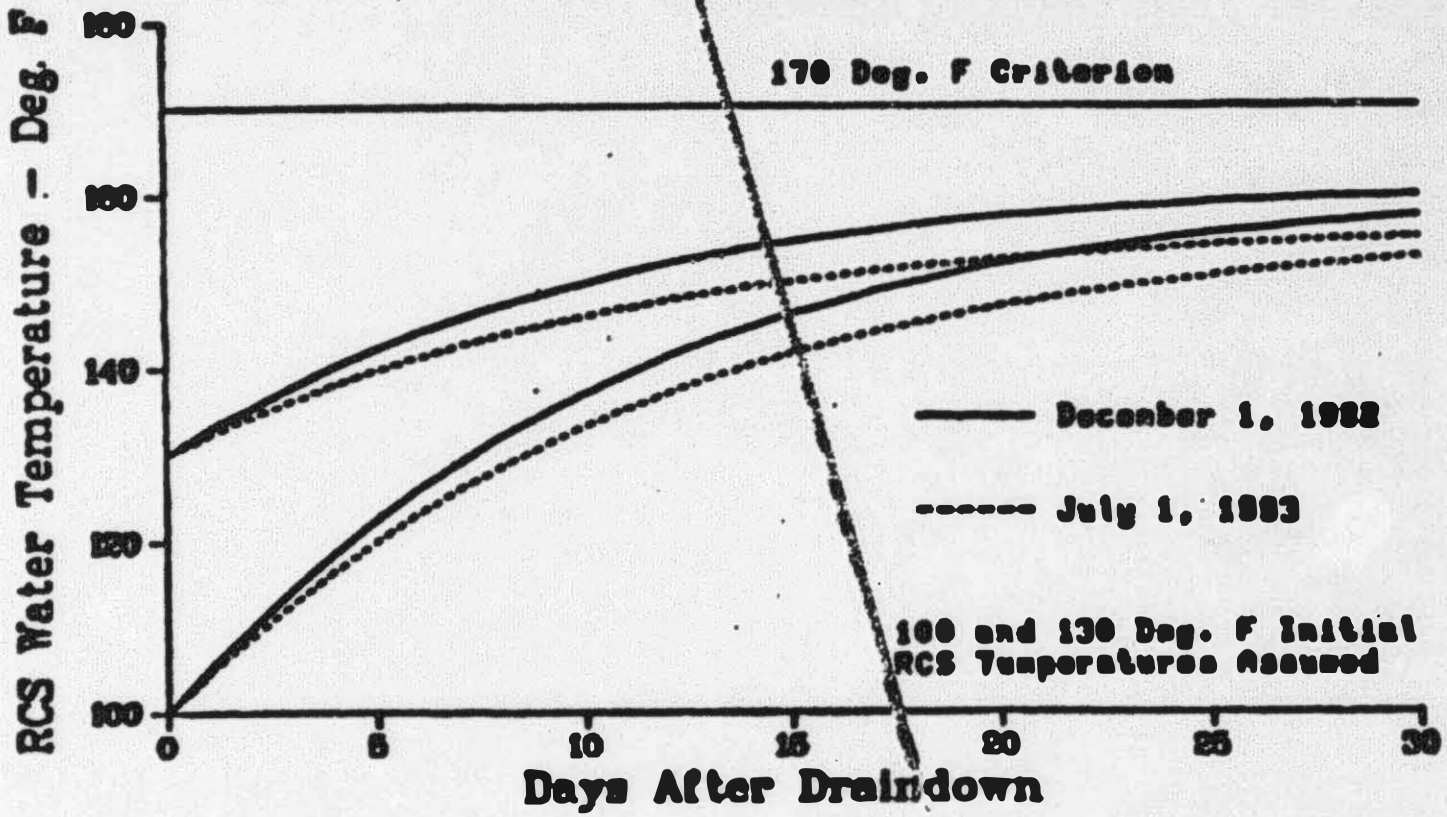

Figure 4
Comparison of ANSI and LOR-2 Based Decay Heat Curves

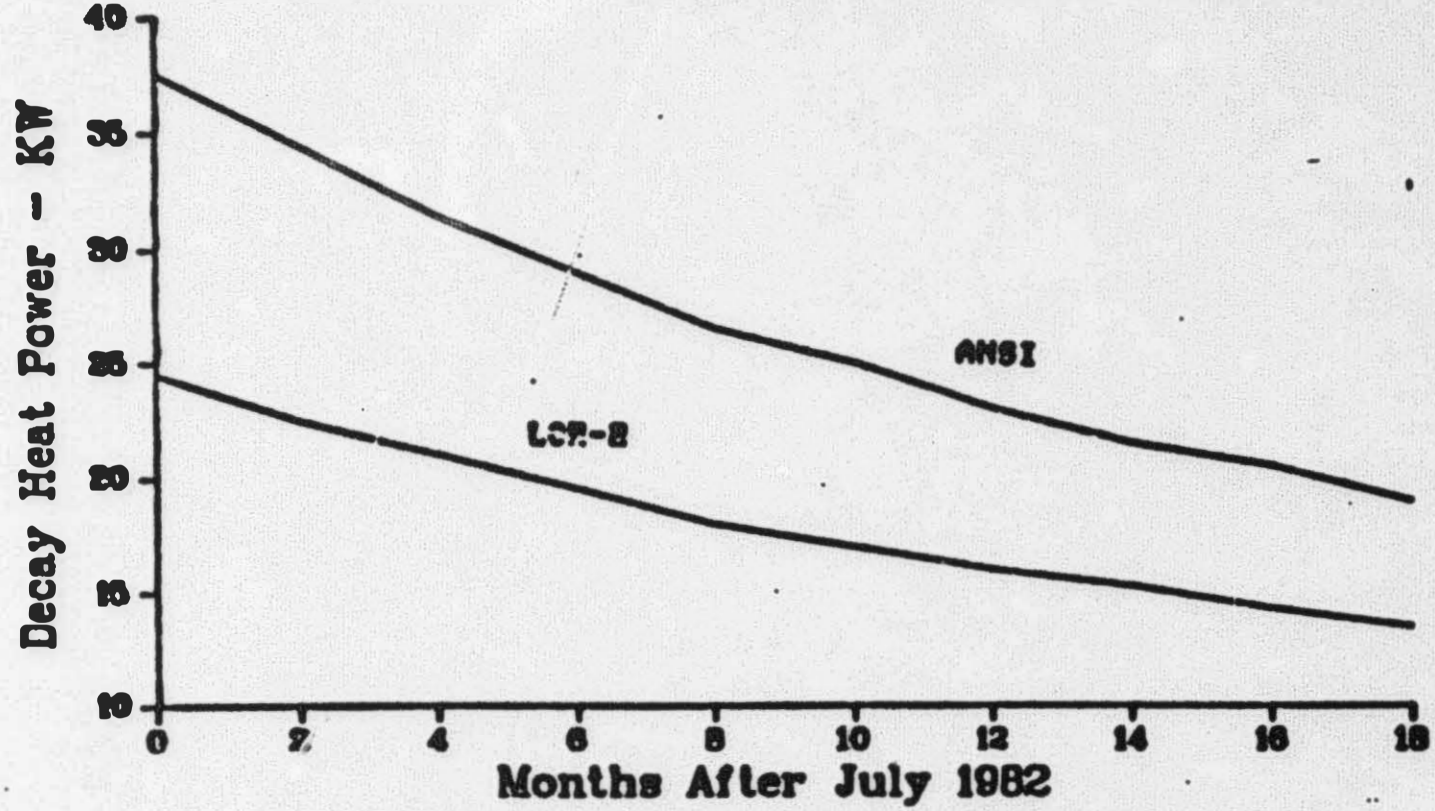

Figure 6
Comparison of Measured and
Predicted Quick Look Heatup
with Best Estimate Models

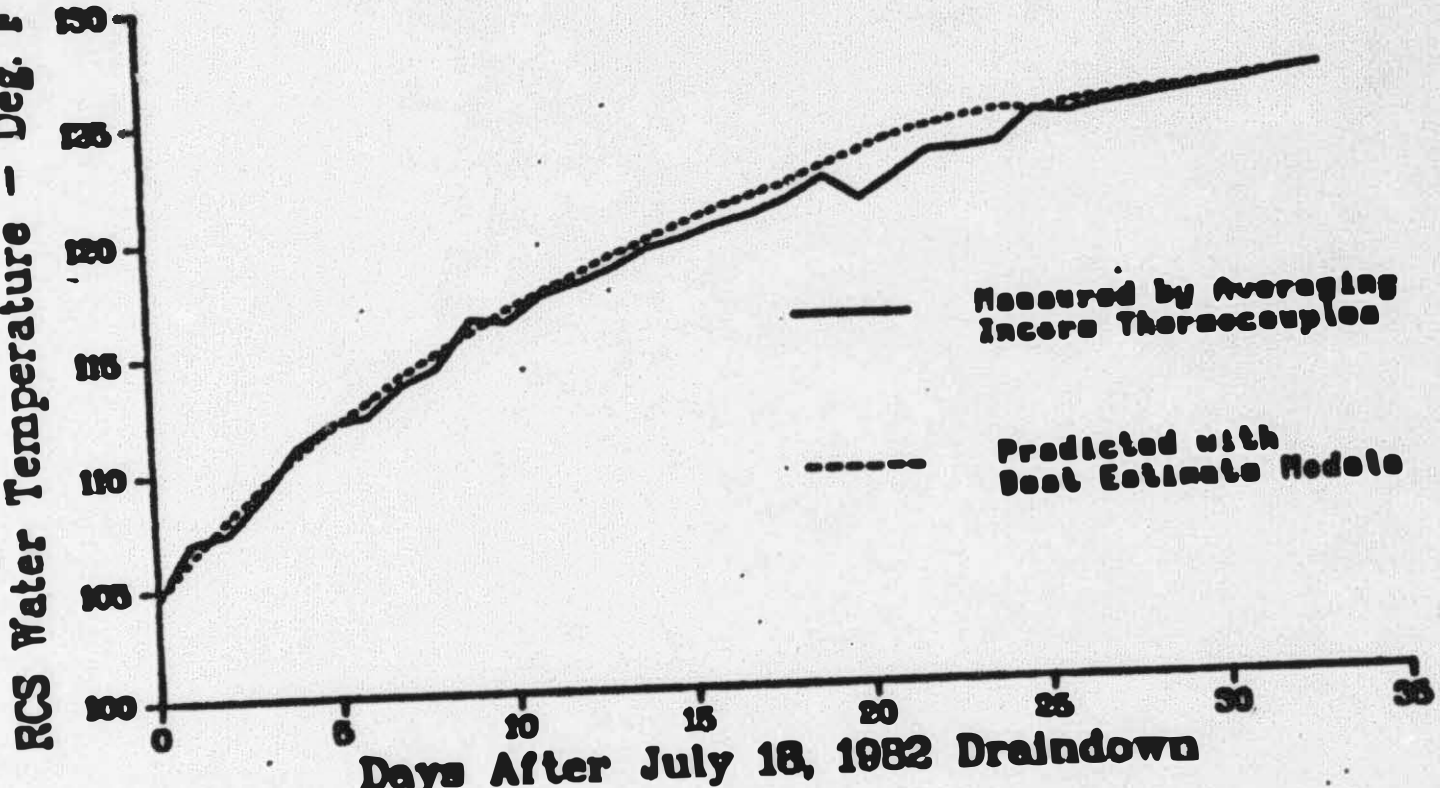

Figure 6
Best Estimate Heatup Rates
from 100 Deg. F Initial RCS Temp
Following Head Removal Draindown

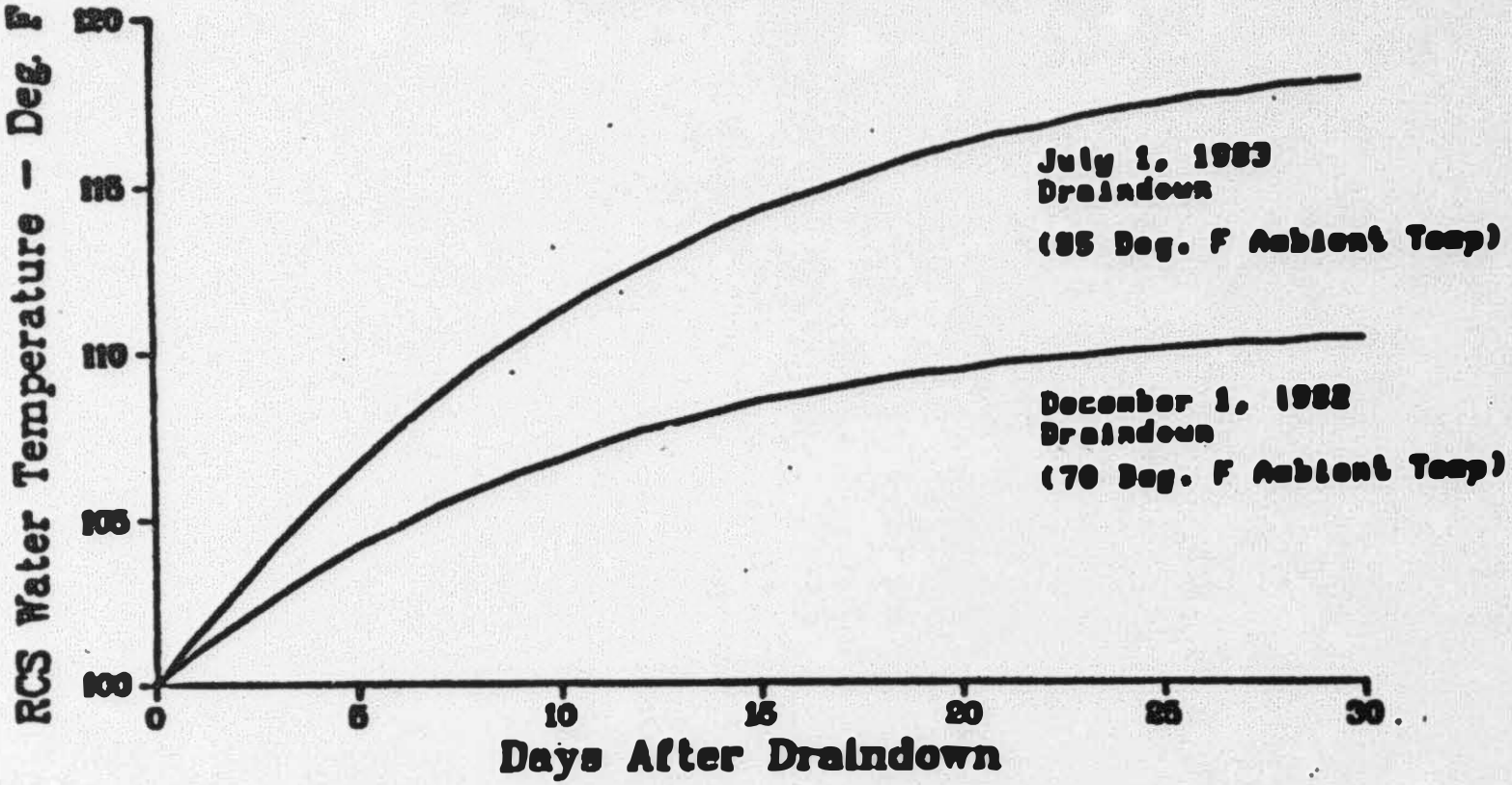

Figure 7

HEATUP FOLLOWING DRAINDOWN TO
BOTTOM OF REACTOR VESSEL NOZZLES
Conservative Model

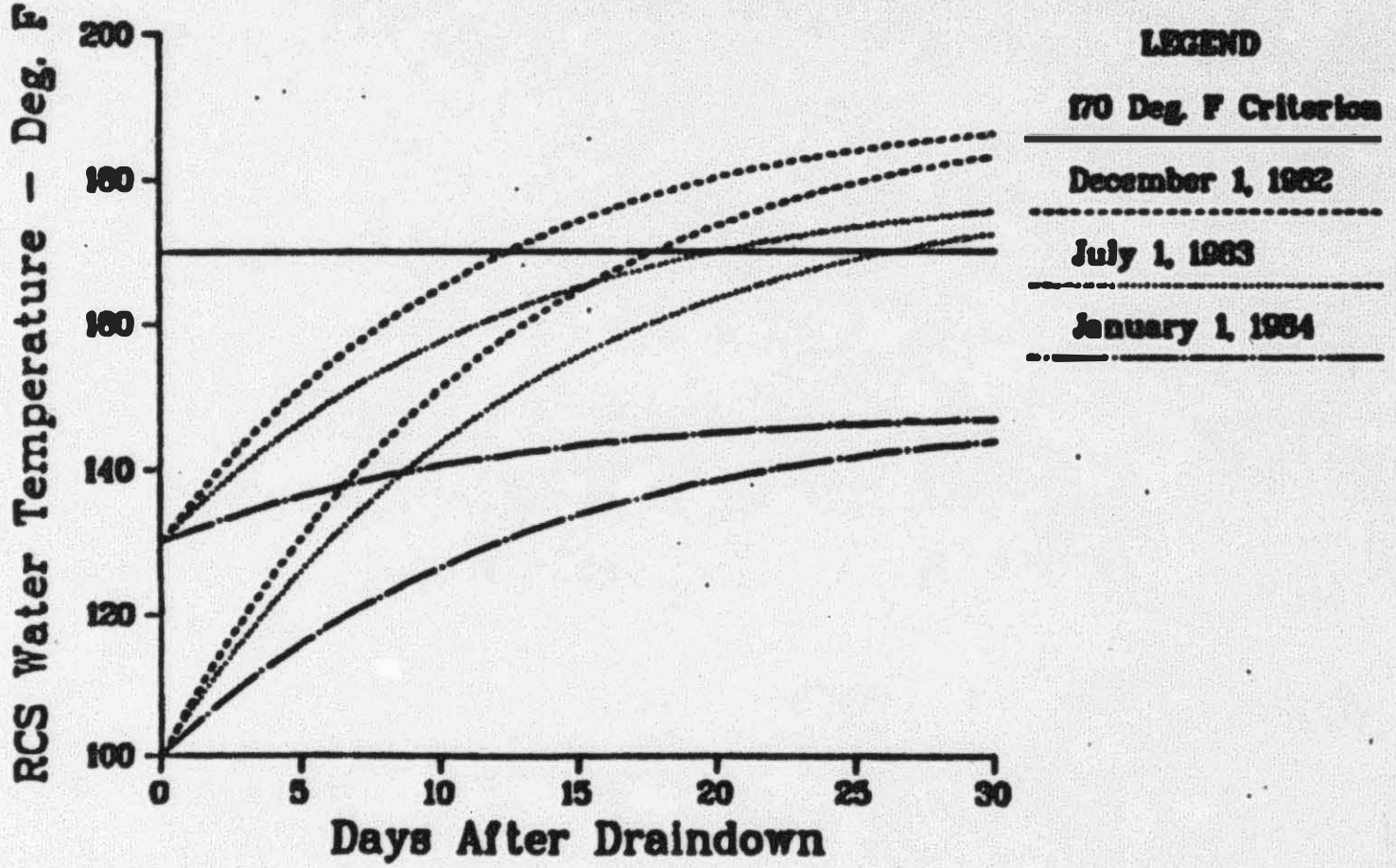

Figure 8

HEATUP FOLLOWING DRAINDOWN TO
BOTTOM OF REACTOR VESSEL NOZZLES
Best Est. with Hot Leg and Steam Gen. Areas

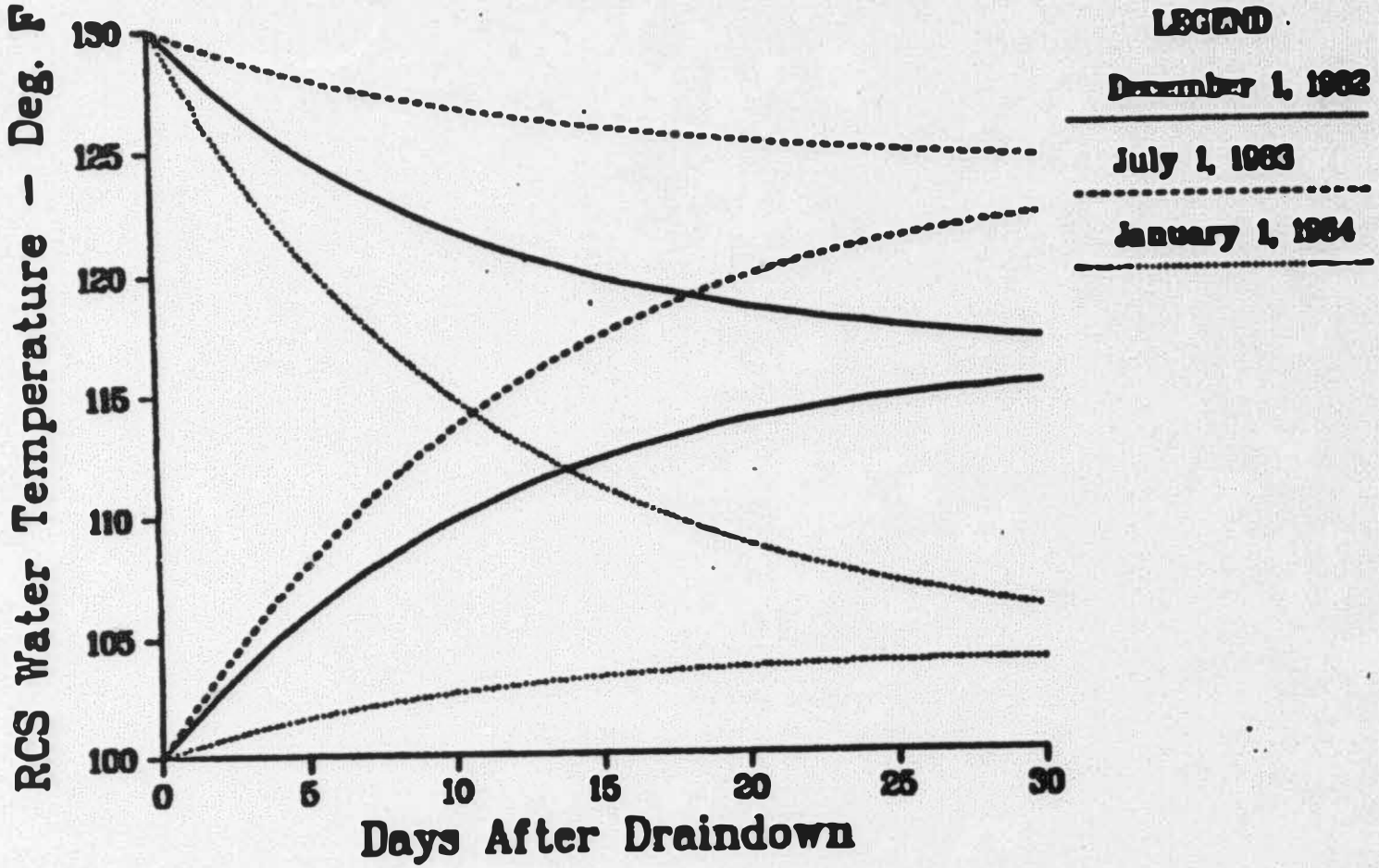

Figure 9

HEATUP FOLLOWING DRAINDOWN TO
BOTTOM OF REACTOR VESSEL NOZZLES
Best Est. without Hot Leg and Steam Gen. Areas