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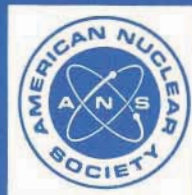
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*Design Criteria for Safe Shutdown Following Selected Design Basis Events in Light  
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## Foreword

(This Foreword is not a part of American National Standard Design Criteria for Safe Shutdown Following Selected Design Basis Events in Light Water Reactors, ANSI/ANS-58.11-1995.)

### Background

This standard provides guidance to the plant designer regarding the means to shut down a reactor and maintain it in a safe shutdown condition, including plant cooldown to a cold shutdown condition. The standard also recognizes that it might not be prudent to deliberately impose reactivity, temperature, and pressure transients on the plant, by proceeding to the cold shutdown condition, following every transient which requires a shutdown of the reactor.

### Development

The original version of this standard was issued in 1983. This standard was subsequently re-affirmed in 1988. The re-affirmation process identified 28 comments, which have been addressed in this revision. In addition to the re-affirmation comments, this standard has undergone a general revision to make it consistent with other newer ANS Standards, and to address industry work on evolutionary and advanced light water reactors, including designs with passive engineered safety features. The previous versions of this standard provided design criteria for plant cooldown from hot to cold shutdown conditions. This revision expands the scope of the standard to provide design criteria for plant safe shutdown. The safe shutdown design criteria include criteria to shut down the reactor and maintain it in a long term safe shutdown condition, which is defined to include plant cooldown from hot conditions to cold shutdown conditions within 36 hours following initiation of a design basis event. Alternative design criteria are included to permit the designer to select an alternative, higher end point cooldown temperature for maintenance of a long-term safe shutdown condition.

From an historical perspective, there was significant guidance provided during the early development of nuclear plant designs with respect to design basis accidents. This guidance is contained in numerous NRC regulations and other ANS standards. However, until the latter part of the 1970s, there was little guidance available regarding the need to shut down a plant safely after an incident that was not one of the "classical" Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) type accidents. From this need, ANS-58.11 was developed. Therefore, this standard excludes explicit consideration of these classical accidents, as stated in Section 1 of the standard.

The existence of unique plant or site characteristics might require the consideration of alternate design concepts. This standard has been developed along functional lines to permit this flexibility. This standard references other standards that provide design criteria applicable to safe shutdown systems.

A designer is not restricted by this standard from proposing or using alternate criteria to ensure nuclear safety. Frequently, a desirable overall result can be obtained by any of several design concepts. The designer can choose from several alternatives in satisfying the specifics of this standard by the proper consideration of the interrelationship of components and systems within the plant.

This standard was prepared by Working Group ANS-58.11 with assistance of the LWR Criteria Management Committee MC-1. This standard was approved by NUPPSO in 1995.

This standard is intended for prospective use only.

Continuing efforts will be required to augment or modify the criteria in this standard to implement changing licensing requirements, to achieve standardization among the various industry criteria and standards currently being developed, and to provide additional clarification or interpretation as appropriate. The LWR Criteria Management Committee MC-1 meets periodically to consider revisions or modifications to this standard.

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# Design Criteria for Safe Shutdown Following Selected Design Basis Events in Light Water Reactors

## 1. Scope

This standard provides design criteria for systems that perform the safety-related functions necessary to shut down a reactor and maintain it in a safe shutdown condition for selected design basis events; i.e., any design basis events that do not require operation of engineered safety features. For design basis events that require operation of engineered safety features, this standard can be selectively applied because of plant features specifically designed for these conditions. For systems that serve multiple functions, the design criteria associated with the most limiting function shall be applied.

The following safety-related functions are required for safe shutdown and are addressed in this standard:

- (1) Reactor core reactivity control
- (2) Reactor core heat removal
- (3) Reactor coolant pressure boundary integrity provided by:
  - (a) Temperature control
  - (b) Pressure control, and
  - (c) Inventory control.

## 2. Definitions

**active component.** A component in which mechanical movement or change of state must occur to accomplish the function of the component.

**active failure.** A malfunction of a component that prevents the component's mechanical movement or change of state required to accomplish its function upon demand.

**active function.** A function that requires mechanical motion or a change of state (e.g., the closing of a valve or relay or the change in state of a transistor).<sup>1</sup>

**cold shutdown.** The condition, consistent with technical specifications, in which the reactor is subcritical and the reactor coolant system average temperature is below the temperature specified in the technical specifications (e.g., 200 °F for PWRs and 212 °F for BWRs).

**component.** An item that performs a specific function within a system (usually has a component-level plant-unique identification code) and can be either an assembly of interconnected parts or a single part.

**design basis event (DBE).** An event that is a condition of normal operation (including an anticipated operational occurrence); a design basis accident (or transient); an external event; or a natural phenomenon for which the plant must be designed to ensure that the three basic safety-related functions are achievable. (See Title 10, "Energy," Code of Federal Regulations, Part 50, "Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities," (10 CFR 50), Section 50.49 [1]<sup>2</sup>)

**engineered safety feature (ESF).** A structure, system, or component that is relied upon during or following design basis events to ensure the capability to prevent or mitigate the consequences of those design basis events that could result in potential off-site exposures comparable to the guideline exposures of Title 10, "Energy," Code of Federal Regulations, Part 100, "Reactor Site Criteria," (10 CFR 100) Section 100.11 [2], excluding reactor coolant

<sup>1</sup> In passive ALWR designs, passive engineered safety features are those that rely on passive means to provide their functions. Passive means are natural forces (e.g., gravity and natural circulation), stored energy (e.g., batteries, rotating inertia, and compressed fluid), energy inherent to the system (e.g., check valves), and non-cycling valves. Passive means do not rely on large, continuously rotating machinery; multiple acting valves; or ac powered divisions of electrical power. Active functions can be either safety-related, supplemented grade, or non-safety-related. See B.6 in Appendix B of American National Standard Safety and Pressure Integrity Classification Criteria for Light Water Reactors, ANSI/ANS-58.14-1993.

<sup>2</sup> Numbers in brackets refer to corresponding numbers in Section 7, References.