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Foreword

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The purpose of this Standard is to provide a set of typical radionuclide concentrations. These concentrations would be used for estimating the radioactivity in the principal fluid streams of a light water reactor over its lifetime. It is recognized that some systems will have higher concentrations than those indicated in the Standard and some will have lower concentrations. The values used in this report were those judged by the working group to be representative concentrations in a light water reactor plant over its lifetime based upon the data currently available in this area. It is intended that these data not be used as a basis for design, but be used in environmental reports and elsewhere where expected operating conditions over the life of the plant would be

This version of N237 is Revision 2 of the version distributed on June 4, 1973. The major criticisms of the first version were the following:

- 1. The BWR and PWR type light water reactor plants were not handled indentically. The reason for this in the original draft was that there were more available data in the BWR area than the PWR, and it was felt at that time that a more analytical approach should be taken on the PWR in the absence of more definitive data.
- 2. A method of handling variations from the stipulated concentrations should be provided. This version is an attempt to provide a set of formulas for handling variations and to address and resolve most of the criticisms received on the first version. Suggestions for improvement of this Standard would be welcome.

The nomenclature used in this Standard is considered to be generally accepted, recognizing that differences do exist in the industry.

The following items are of concern to the working group developing this Standard and are presented as indications of areas where the Standard could be improved:

- 1. Iodine behavior in light water reactor systems is not well understood and further work is necessary in order to provide a means for following iodine throughout the reactor system.
- 2. Definitive programs on in-plant examinations for coolant activity behavior and other fluid stream behavior in light water reactors should be developed.

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It is the intent of ANS-18.1 to develop a procedure for making this a "living" standard and would welcome any suggestions from utilities or any other interested party on the best way for this to be accomplished.

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