CNS 2000 Annual Conference - Program

Monday June 12, a.m. Welcome, V.S. Krishnan (CNS) and

P. Charlebois (Ontario Power Generation)

Session 1: Plenary I: Nuclear Industry Updates - Churchill Ballroom (08:30-11:45) Chair: P. Charlebois (Ontario Power Generation)

CNS Luncheon - Mountbatten Ballroom (12:00) Guest speaker: *G. Preston, Executive Vice-President and Chief Nuclear Officer (Ontario Power Generation)*

Monday June 12, p.m. Session 2A: Physics I

Scott Room (14:00-17:00)

Co-Chairs: A. Baudouin (Hydro-Québec) and M.B. Gold (Ontario Power Generation)

Session 2B: Environmental Assessment Rossetti Room (14:00-17:00)

Chair: K. Dormuth (AECL)

Session 2C: Thermalhydraulics I Wren Room (14:00-17:00)

Co-Chairs: Wm.J. Garland (McMaster University) and G. Hotte (Hydro-Québec)

Session 2D: Safety and Licensing I Carlyle Room (14:00-17:00)

Co-Chairs: N.A. Mitchell (Ontario Power Generation) and B. Shalaby (AECL)

CNS Annual General Meeting Scott Room (17:00) Tuesday June 13, a.m. CNA Annual General Meeting and Board Meeting - Baker Room (10:30)

 Session 3A: Safety and Licensing II Carlyle Room (08:45-12:10)
 Co-Chairs: M.-A. Petrilli (MAPSAN) and B. Willemsen (New Brunswick Power)
 Session 3B:

Environmental Risk Assessment Rossetti Room (08:45-12:10) Chair: J.A. Tamm (AECL)

Session 3C: Physics II Scott Room (08:45-11:45) Co-Chairs: P. Akhtar (AECB) and J. Koclas (École Polytechnique de Montréal)

Session 3D:
 Reactor and Components
 Wren Room (08:45-11:45)

Co-Chairs: B. Cox (University of Toronto) and W.G. Schneider (Babcock & Wilcox)

<u>Tuesday June 13, p.m.</u>

Session 4: Plenary II: Nuclear Industry - Current Trends Churchill Room (13:30-17:00) Chair: R.A. Kilpatrick (AECL)

Conference Banquet Mountbatten Ballroom (18:30)

Wednesday June 14, a.m.

Session 5: Plenary III: Looking to the Future. - Churchill Room (08:45-11:45) Chair: W. Clarke (Canadian Nuclear Association)

CNS Awards Luncheon Mountbatten Ballroom (12:00)

Wednesday June 14, p.m.

Session 6A: Thermalhydraulics II Wren Room (14:00-17:00) Co-Chairs: R. Leung (Ontario Power Generation), J.W. Thompson (Atlantic Nuclear Services Ltd.)

 Session 6B: Environmental Models and Monitoring Rossetti A & B Room (14:00-17:00)

Chair: R. Pollock (COGEMA Resources Inc.)

- Session 6C: Control Room Carlyle Room (14:00-17:00) Chair: E. Davey (Crew Systems Solutions)
- Session 6D: Fuel & Fuel Cycles
 Scott Room (14:00-17:00)
 Co-Chairs: P.G.Boczar (AECL) and

M. Wash (Zircatec Precision Industries)

Session 6E: Software and SciCodes Rossetti C Room (14:00-17:00)

Co-Chairs: H.G. Liot (Zircatec Precision Industries)

and P.D. Thompson (New Brunswick Power)



A better nuclear tomorrow

Session 1 - Plenary I: Nuclear Industry Updates

Chair: P. Charlebois (Ontario Power Generation)

- AECL Update, R.A. Kilpatrick (AECL)
- **Pickering A Restart,** *R. Strickert (Ontario Power Generation)*
- Next Generation CANDU Technology, D.F. Torgerson (AECL)
- **Going Up or Going Down? The History and Future for CO**₂ **and Nuclear Power,** *R.B. Duffey (AECL)*
- **Improving Performance at Point Lepreau,** R.M. White, W.S. Pilkington, R. Crawford, K. Miller, B.M. Ewing, J.J. McCarthy and P.D. Thompson (New Brunswick Power)
- Recent Developments re Disposal of High- and Low-Level Radioactive Wastes, P. Brown (Natural Resources Canada)





Session 2A - Physics I



Validation of WIMS-AECL/RFSP Analysis of Moderator and Heat-Transport Temperature Reactivity Effects in Darlington Unit 2 During Commissioning, F. Ardeshiri (AECL)



- Efficient Compliance with Prescribed Bounds on Operational Parameters by Means of Hypothesis Testing Using Reactor Data, P. Sermer and C. Olive (Ontario Power Generation), F.M. Hoppe (McMaster University)
- The Analytic Nodal Method for CANDU Reactor Three-Dimensional Space-Time Kinetics Calculations, J. Mao and J. Koclas, École Polytechnique de Montréal
- Three-Dimensional Two-Group Finite-Difference Diffusion Equation Solver for CANDU-PHWR Analysis, FDM3D, I.S. Hong and C.H. Kim (Seoul National University), B.J. Min and H.C. Suk (Korea Atomic Energy Research Institute)
 - **Power-Peaking Factors in the McMaster Nuclear Reactor,** S.E. Day (McMaster University)
- **Coupling of Reactor Physics and Thermalhydraulics Codes for CANDU Analysis,** *B. Dionne, J. Koclas and P. Tye (École Polytechnique de Montréal)*



Session 2B - Environmental Assessment

Chair: K. Dormuth (AECL)

Radiological Environmental Monitoring Programs at Canadian Nuclear Facilities - A Practical Model for Follow-Up Activities Under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, J.A Tamm and R. Zach (AECL)



- Role of Project Description in an Environmental Assessment Report for a Nuclear Power Plant Project, K.M. Aydogdu (AECL)
- Using Environmental Assessment to Kick-Start Organisational Environmental Management Systems, L.F. Cattrysse (ICF Consulting Canada Inc.)

Greenhouse Gas Reduction and Canada's Nuclear Industry, J. Bowman (Babcock & Wilcox Canada), T. Gorman (Canadian Nuclear Association), D. Pendergast (Computare), and M.J. Stewart (Stewart Advantage Consultants Inc.)

- **Environmental Protection at the New Generation of Uranium Mines in Northern Saskatchewan,** *R. Pollock (COGEMA Resources Inc.) and J. Jarrell (Cameco Corporation)*
- **Status of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's 5-Year Review of the CEA Act,** J. Clarke (Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency)

Session 2C - Thermalhydraulics I



Co-Chairs: Wm.J. Garland (McMaster University), G. Hotte (Hydro-Québec)

- Heat Transfer in a CANDU-Type Fuel Bundle During a LOCA Experiment, D.J. Wallace (AECL))
- A Multiple-Node Real-Time Pressurizer Model, H. Tang (New Brunswick Power)



- Numerical Simulation of the RD-14M Test T9308, M. An and W. Thompson (Atlantic Nuclear Services Ltd.), M.A. Wright (Consultant to NB Power)
- **Evaluation of Temperature-Measurement Systematic Errors in PHTS of Embalse NGS,** C.A. Moreno, E.E. Coutsiers and M.E. Pomerantz (Nucleoeléctrica Argentina S.A.)
- Verification of a CATHENA Integrated Point Lepreau Plant Model For Safety Analysis, A.V. Galia and R. Girard (New Brunswick Power), M.A. Wright (Consultant to NB Power)
- Analyzing and Modelling Natural Circulation Phenomena in a CANDU 6, P. Gulshani (AECL), C.H. Nguyen (Hydro-Québec), and M.A. Wright (Consultant to NB Power)

Session 2D - Safety and Licensing I

Co-Chairs: N.A. Mitchell (Ontario Power Generation), B. Shalaby (AECL)

Safety Analysis Technology: Evolution, Revolution, and the Drive to Re-establish Margins, J. Luxat (Ontario Power Generation)

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- Application of Flux-Tilt Parameters to Support Regional Overpower Protection Trip Coverage for a CANDU-6 Reactor, J.A. Walsworth and M.J. Basque (Brunswick Nuclear Inc.), E.G. Young and B. Willemsen (New Brunswick Power)
 - **Bruce B Risk Assessment: Results and Applications,** *R. Parmar, W.A. Webb and V.M. Raina (OPG Nuclear)*
 - **Probabilistic Risk Assessment and Risk Management for Chemical Hazards at Nuclear Plants,** *M. Oliverio (Ontario Power Generation)*
 - Canadian-Based Aircrew Exposure From Cosmic Radiation on Commercial Airline Routes,
 M.J. McCall, A.R. Green, B.J. Lewis, L.G.I. Bennett, and M. Pierre (Royal Military College of Canada),
 U. Schrewe (Physikalisch Technische Bundesanstalt, Braunschweig, Germany),
 K. O'Brien (Northern Arizona University, Sedona, Arizona), E. Feldsberger (University of Graz, Austria)
 - **Regulatory Positions on Safety-Related Setpoints and Instrumentation Uncertainty of Wolsong Units,** O.-. P Zhu, S.-H. Lee, B.-R. Kim and S.-H. Oh (Korea Institute of Nuclear Safety)

Session 3A - Safety and Licensing II

Chair: M.-A. Petrilli (MAPSAN), B. Willemsen (New Brunswick Power)

IAEA Safeguards – Developing in a Changing World, A.C.F. Hadfield (New Brunswick Power), J.K. Cameron and P.D. Corcoran (Atomic Energy Control Board)

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- New Packaging and Transport Regulations for IP-2/IP-3 ISO Freight Containers Are in Force in Canada Since June 1, 2000, A.G. Frick, L. Henriksson, J. Migenda and F.H. Timpert (STM Safety Technology Management)
- **The DCYPWR Code: Fuel Decay Power Calculations for CANDU Fuel and Reactor Cores,** D.F. Basque, J.A. Walsworth and R.A. Prime (Brunswick Nuclear Inc.), R.W. Sancton and E.G. Young (New Brunswick Power)
- Safety Upgrades to the NRU Research Reactor, E. Mutterback (AECL)
- HAZOP Powerful Risk-Analysis Tool, J. Krasnodebski (Consultant)
- Application of Operating Experience in Environmental Qualification Program, *S.Y. Lee and R. Wise (Ontario Power Generation)*
 - A New Approach to Determine the Environmental Qualification Requirements for Safety-Related Equipment, C. Hasnaoui (Énaq) and G. Parent (Hydro-Québec)

Session 3B - Environmental Risk Assessment

Chair: J. A. Tamm (AECL)

- Integrated Risk Assessment Using a Screening-Level Computer Model, D.R. Hart, D.L. Lush and N.P. Morris (Beak International Incorporated)
- **Environmental Risk Assessment A Practitioner's Perspective,** D.B. Chambers and M.W. Davis (SENES Consultants Limited)
- A Framework for Selecting Assessment and Measurement Endpoints for Ecological Risk Assessment of Canadian Nuclear Power Stations, A. Trivedi (AECL), D. Wismer (OPG) and N.E. Gentner (AECL)

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- **Ecodosimetry Weighting Factor for Non-Human Biota,** N.E. Gentner and A. Trivedi (AECL)
- **The Importance of Environmental Monitoring Data in Environmental Risk Assessment: An Ecosystem Approach,** T.L. Yankovich, R.W.D. Killey, M.H. Klukas, R.J.J. Cornett, R. Zach, C.R. LaFontaine, B.C. O'Donnell, T.L. Eve, T.J. Chaput, M.L. Benz, and M.K. Haas (AECL)
- Status of the Assessment of "Releases of Radionuclides from Nuclear Facilities (Impacts on Non-Human Biota)" on the Second-Priority-Substances List of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, P. Thompson and G. Bird (AECB)
 - **Approach to Ecological Risk Assessment for Pickering Nuclear,** *N. Garisto (SENES Consultants Limited), L. Swami and F. Ely (Ontario Power Generation, Pickering Nuclear), and S. Fernandes (SENES Consultants Limited)*

Session 3C - Physics II

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Co-Chair: P. Akhtar (AECB), J. Koclas (École Polytechnique de Montréal)

- **Photoneutron Experiment Performed in ZED-2,** *M.B. Zeller, A. Celli, R.T. Jones and G.P. McPhee (AECL)*
- The Coolant Void Reactivity Program in ZED-2, A. Celli, R.S. Davis, S.R. Douglas, R.T. Jones, G.P. McPhee and M.B. Zeller (AECL)



- Validation of the DRAGON/DONJON Code Package for MNR Using the IAEA 10 MW Benchmark Problem, S.E. Day and Wm. J. Garland (McMaster University)
- Validation of the Substitution Method for Measurement of Void Reactivity, R.S. Davis, A. Celli, S.R. Douglas, R.T. Jones, D.C. McElroy and M.B. Zeller (AECL)
- Application of Non-Linear Iterative Nodal Expansion Method for CANDU Analysis (Part 1: Derivation of the Steady-State Nodal Diffusion Formulation), W. Shen (AECL) and H. Choi (KAERI)
 - New Development of the Three-Dimensional Characteristics Solver MCI in DRAGON, *G.J. Wu and R. Roy (École Polytechnique)*

Session 3D - Reactor and Components



Co-Chair: B. Cox (University of Toronto), W.G. Schneider (Babcock & Wilcox)

- **Estimating the Response Times of Pressure/Flow Transmitters and RTDs via In-Situ Noise Measurements,** O. Glöckler, D.F. Cooke, G.J. Czuppon and K.K. Kapoor (Ontario Power Generation Nuclear)
 - **CANDU Core Health Monitoring Systems,** *B. Sur, P. Tonner and S. Craig (AECL)*



- **On Relating Inelastic and Redistributed Elastic Analyses Stress Distributions,** *P. Mangalaramanan and W. Reinhardt (Babcock & Wilcox Canada)*
- Monitoring the Mechanical Vibration of In-Core Detector Tubes and Fuel Channels via ICFD Noise Analysis, O. Glöckler, D.F. Cooke, G.J. Czuppon and K.K. Kapoor (Ontario Power Generation Nuclear)
- **The Origin of Anisotropy DHC Behavior in Zr-2.5%Nb Pressure-Tube Materials,** *S.-S. Kim, S.C. Kwon, K.N. Choo, Y.M. Cheong and Y.S. Kim (Korea Atomic Energy Research Institute)*
- In-Situ Examination of Turbine Components (Blade Roots, Rotor Steeple Grooves and Disk-Blade Rim Attachments) of Low-Pressure Steam Turbine, Using Phased Array Technology, P. Ciorau, D. Macgillivray, T. Hazelton, L. Gilham, R. Taffs, J. Huggins and R. Fortin (Ontario Power Generation Inc.)

Session 4 - Plenary II: Nuclear Industry - Current Trends < ⊙ >

Chair: R.A. Kilpatrick (AECL)

- **Integrated Improvement Program at Ontario Power Generation, Nuclear,** A. Schwabe (Ontario Power Generation Nuclear)
- **Comparative Costs of Electricity Generation,** S. Guindon (Natural Resources Canada)
- **Regulatory Aspects of Return to Service of Pickering A,** J. Harvie (AECB)
- **Fuel Processing, International and Domestic,** *R. Steane (Cameco)*
- **Gentilly-2 Full-Power Operation: History and Future Challenges,** *R. Pageau and G. Hotte (Hydro-Québec)*
- A Worker Perspective on Nuclear Safety, T. Pigeau (Power Workers' Union)
- **Climate Change and Emission Reduction Opportunities,** B. Rozendaal (AECL)



Session 5 - Plenary III: Looking to the Future

Chair: W. Clarke (Canadian Nuclear Association)

- **The Future of the Nuclear Industry in China,** *Li Yulun (China National Nuclear Corporation)*
- Innovation for Health, G. Malkoske (MDS Nordion)
- **The Canadian Neutron Facility for Materials Research: A Key to Innovation and Productivity for Canada,** *P.J. Fehrenbach and I.J. Hastings (AECL)*
 - **Canada's Approach to Meeting its Kyoto Commitment,** *I. McGregor (Climate Change Secretariat)*
 - **Conceptual Designs for Very-High-Temperature CANDU Reactors,** S.J. Bushby, G.R. Dimmick and R.B. Duffey (AECL)
 - **COG: Information Exchange The New Initiatives,** *C. Guiry (CANDU Owners' Group)*



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Session 6A- Thermalhydraulics II

Co-Chairs: R. Leung (Ontario Power Generation), J.W. Thompson (Atlantic Nuclear Services Ltd.)

- **Refinement of the Mass Conservation Algorithm Used in CATHENA,** *T.G. Beuthe (AECL)*
- Simulation of Darlington Loss-of-Flow Event, W.S. Liu, S. Ho, W.K. Liauw, T. Toong, R.Y. Chu and R.K. Leung (Ontario Power Generation)
- Moderator-Flow Measurements at Darlington and Bruce-B Nuclear Generating Stations, D. Zobin, V. Ton and J.R. Sherin (Ontario Power Generation)
- The New Emergency Core Cooling (NECC) System for the National Research Universal (NRU) Reactor, T. Jackson (AECL)
- An Empirical Heat-Transfer Coefficient During Quenching, J. Urbanowicz (Ontario Power Generation), D. Oh (on attachment from AECL), K. Fung and M. Bayoumi (Ontario Power Generation)





Session 6B - Environmental Models and Monitoring

Chair: R. Pollock (COGEMA Resources Inc.)

- Impact of CANDU Emissions on Tritium Levels in the Great Lakes, M.H. Klukas (AECL) and J. LaMarre (Ontario Power Generation, Nuclear)
- **Development of a Pipe Contamination Monitor for the Waste Segregation Program at the AECL Chalk River Laboratories,** *M.E. Stephens, G.A.W. Walker, A. Eyvindson, H. Jessup and P. Primeau (AECL), L. Champagne and P. Singh-Khera (Lou Champagne Systems Inc.)*



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- **Toxicity Limitation on Radioactive Liquid Waste Discharge at OPG Nuclear Stations,** *T. Dobson, Z. Lovasic and G. Nicolaides (Ontario Power Generation)*
- Special-Case Comparison of Gaussian and Non-Gaussian Atmospheric Transport of Radionuclides, P.M. Lord, T.J. Jamieson and K.P. Marshall (Science Applications International Corporation)
- Modelling Emissions of Carbon-14 and Argon-41 Released from a CANDU 6 Reactor, C. R. Boss and G. Gomes (AECL)
- **Carbon-14 Chemistry in CANDU Moderator System,** J. Torok (Consultant) and F. Caron (AECL)

Session 6C - Control Room

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Chair: E. Davey (Crew Systems Solutions)

Operator Error and Emotions, B.K Patterson, M. Bradley and *W.G. Artiss (Human Factors Practical Inc.)*

Plant Status Control – with an Operational Focus, L.A. Lane (Ontario Power Generation - Nuclear)

The Importance of Function Analysis for the Nuclear Industry, *S. Chen-Wing and U. Sengupta (AECL)*

Practical Control Centre Retrofit for Refurbishment, M.P. Feher (AECL)

Criteria for Operator Review of Workplace Changes, E. Davey (Crew Systems Solutions)



Session 6D - Fuel & Fuel Cycles

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Co-Chairs: P.G. Boczar (AECL) and M. Wash (Zircatec Precision Industries)

- Main Aspects of the SEU Fuel Program at the Atucha I PHWR After Five Years of Operating Experience, J.M. Fink, M. Higa, R. Pérez, J. Piñeyro, J. Sidelnik (Nucleoeléctrica Argentina S.A.), J.A. Casario and L. Alvarez (Comisión Nacional de Energía Atómica, Argentina)
- **Optimization of CANDU Reactor Performance Using SEU Fuel,** *P.S.W. Chan and D.B. Buss (AECL)*
- **Possibility of Plutonium Burning Out and Minor-Actinide Transmutation in CANDU-Type Reactor,** A.S. Gerasimov, G.V. Kiselev and L.A. Myrtsymova, State Scientific Center of the Russian Federation, Institute of Theoretical and Experimental Physics
- The Dryout-Power Improvement of CANFLEX SEU Bundles in CANDU Reactors, L.K.H. Leung, K.F. Rudzinski and P.S.W. Chan (AECL)
- Calculations Supporting the Shipment of Irradiated CANFLEX Demonstration Fuel Bundles, M.-J. Basque and J.A. Walsworth (Brunswick Nuclear Inc.), R.W. Sancton (New Brunswick Power)
- Nuclear Safety of Low-Flux and High-Flux Thorium Mode of CANDU-Type Reactor, A.S. Gerasimov, G.V. Kiselev, L.A. Myrtsymova and T.S. Zaritskaya, State Scientific Center of the Russian Federation, Institute of Theoretical and Experimental Physics
 - **Extrapolating Power-Ramp Performance Criteria for Current and Advanced CANDU Fuels,** *M. Tayal and G.G. Chassie (AECL)*

Session 6E - Software and SciCodes

Co-Chairs: H.G. Liot (Zircatec Precision Industries), P.D. Thompson (New Brunwick Power)

CSA N286.7-99, A Canadian Standard Specifying Software Quality Management System Requirements for Analytical, Scientific, and Design Computer Programs and its Implementation at AECL, *R. Abel (R&M Abel Consultants Inc.)*



- **A Method to Implement CSA N286.7-99,** J.A. Walsworth, R.A. Prime, D.F. Basque and M.-J. Basque (Brunswick Nuclear Inc.)
- **Electronic Information Management on the QINSHAN CANDU Project,** *R. Didsbury, L. Vrancea and M. Matta (AECL)*
- Validation of the Canadian Atmospheric Dispersion Model for the CANDU Reactor Complex at Wolsong, Korea, M.H. Klukas and P.A. Davis (AECL)
- A SciCode Web Site: Building Bridges Between Owners and Users, C. Gaver (AECL)
- 3D CAD on Qinshan CANDU Project, D. Goland (AECL)