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Aging management to assure long term performance



- Focus on ensuring primary safety functions*
 - Criticality control, confinement/containment and shielding
- ► Focus on components providing safety functions
 - Canister/cask and transport package
 - Primary for confinement/containment,
 - Can provide criticality control
 - Concrete storage module
 - Shielding
 - Canister/cask internals and fuel
 - Defense-in-depth for confinement, criticality
- Focus on activities to provide assurance
 - Monitoring
 - Inspection
 - Mitigation

*Other function, such as thermal and structural are important, but not primary safety functions **Transnuclear Inc.**



Align ability to perform aging management and components providing safety functions

	Providing safety function	Ability to monitor	Ability to inspect	Ability to mitigate
Canister/cask	High	High	High	High
Concrete module	Med	High	High	High
Fuel, Internals*	Low	Low	Low	Low

^{*}Aging management on fuel and internals requires opening the canister, resulting in unnecessary risk

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Long term aging mechanisms of most concern



Canister

- Chloride induced stress corrosion cracking (CISCC)
 - Requires sufficient salt, moisture and stress
 - Proven to occur in laboratory, thresholds not fully established
 - Actual field conditions relatively unknown

Concrete modules

 Behavior under radiation and higher temperatures (cracking, spallation, etc)

Fuel and internals

High burn-up fuel (hydride re-orientation)



TN activities on canisters for coastal marine sites

- Current designs
 - TN coastal sites in the US
 - 316L DSC currently in operation
- Potential design improvements
 - SCC resistant material
 - Remove tensile stress on surface
 - SCC inhibiting coatings







TN activities on canister inspection techniques

► TN has developed the Salt Smart Tool

 An innovative measurement technology to determine the amount of salt on the exterior of DSCs

 Can determine if location/canisters are at risk and if preventive measures are warranted

 First measurement at Calvert Cliffs NPP in the summer 2012

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Concrete

- Enhanced concrete mixes
 - Improved resistance to impact and to cracking for long term storage
- Determine impacts of potential degradation
- Assess feasibility of replacing if necessary

► Fuel and internals

- High burn-up data collection project
 - Validate characteristics and performance of fuel
- Participating in discussion on retrievability and clad integrity
 - Risk based, defense-in-depth role





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