

EPEI ELECTRIC POWER RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Scaffold Program Optimization and Dose Reduction Guide

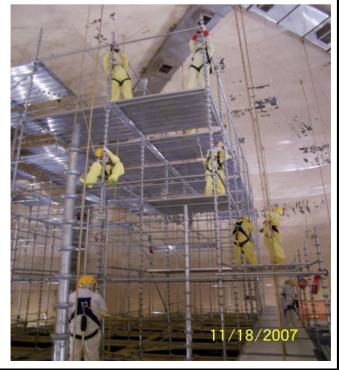
Lisa Edwards Program Manager

TAC Meeting January, 2010

Background

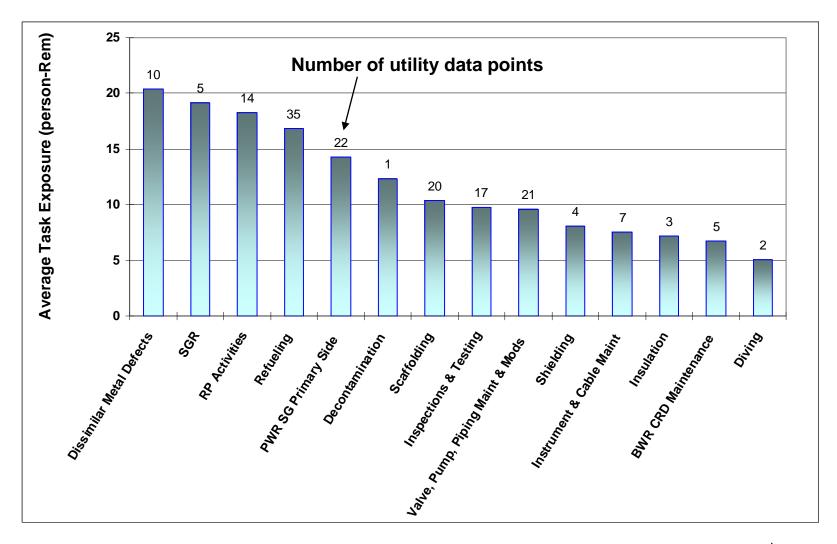
•Why?

- Scaffold Programs are Expensive
 - Typical Single Outage Costs: \$1-3 Million
- Additional Liabilities
 - High Dose
 - Industrial <u>Safety</u>
 - Unplanned Trips
 - Regulatory Compliance
 - Aggressive Schedules
- No Single Comprehensive Guide





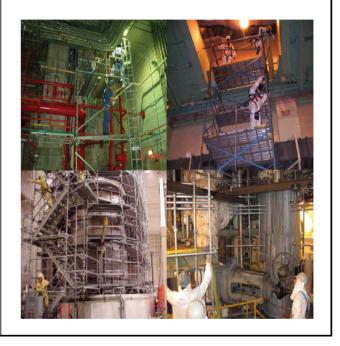
Average Task Exposure for High Dose Tasks (Utility Data)





Scaffold Guide - 1021102

Scaffold Program Optimization and Dose Reduction Guide



Objective

"Develop Comprehensive Guidance that Targets Vertical Access Program Efficiency and Quality that Will Result in Reductions to Collective Radiation Exposure. Focus: Outage

Directly Applicable to On-Line Activities As Well



Report

Comprehensive Report Based on Industry Standards, Best Practices and Technologies, Regulatory Requirements and Letters of Interpretation.

Target Audience: Scaffold Program Managers.

- •21 Industry Experts
- •8 Scaffold Work Shops
- EPRI Vertical Access Performance Database
- Numerous Station
 Procedures
- Service & Product Vendor Info
- 18 EPRI Scaffold Assessments



Key Element: Senior Management Support



- Dedicated Program Manager
- Scope Control
- Mandate Accurate Work Plans and Required Financial Resources for the Program



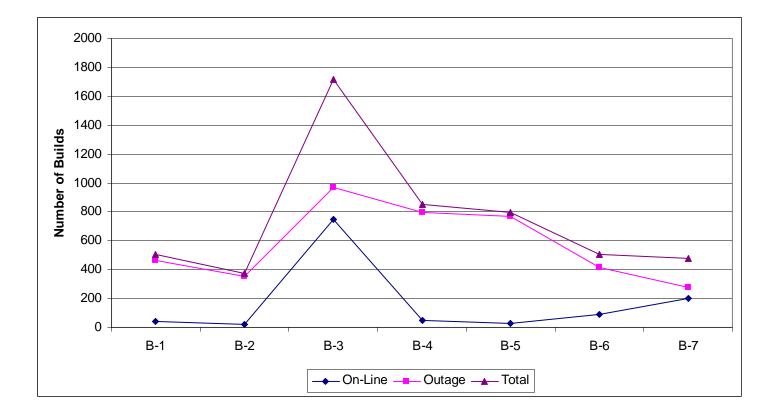
Key Element: Planning & Scheduling



- Accurate Planning & Scheduling Processes
- Standards for Unplanned Builds that Mirror Other Unplanned Work Requirements
- Performance
 Indicators

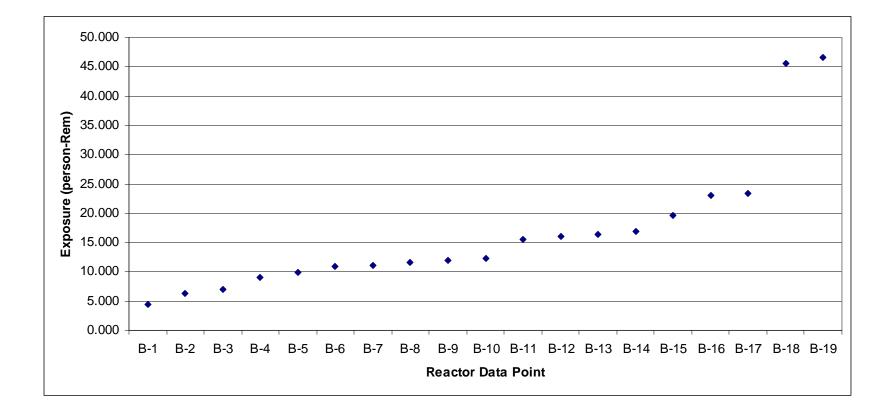


BWR Number of Builds



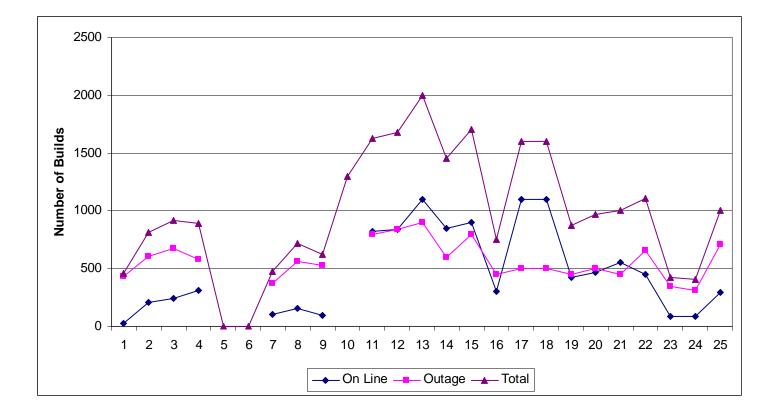


BWR Exposure



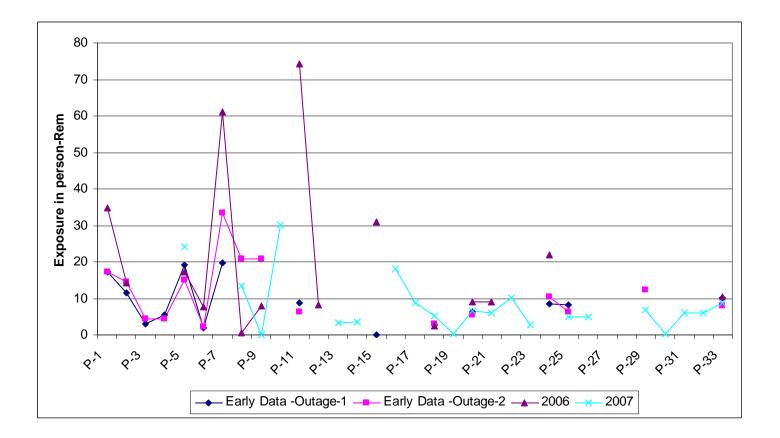


PWR Number of Builds



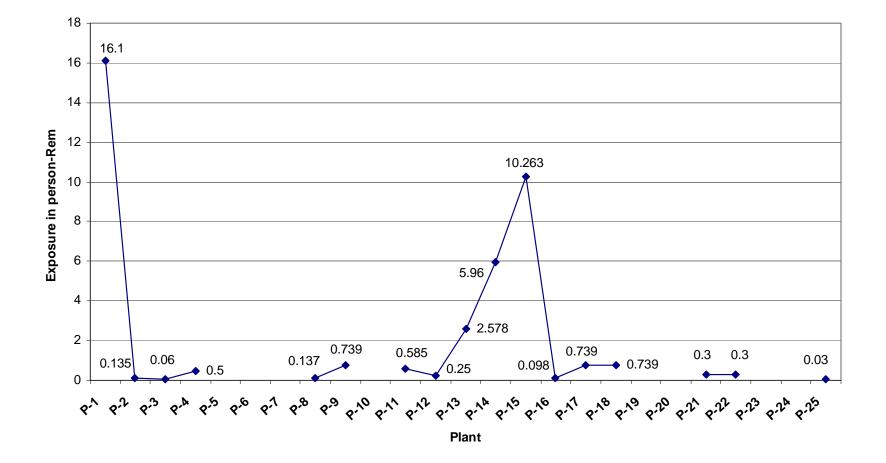


PWR Exposure





PWR On-Line Exposure





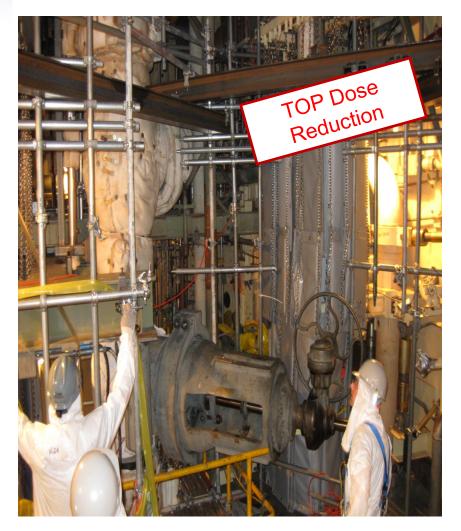
Key Element: Optimized Technology Application



- Alternative Advanced
 Technologies
- •Laser Scanning
- Quick Erect Scaffolding
- Communication Tools



Key Element: Training & Worker Awareness



- Aggressive Training For "New-To-Nuclear"
 - Union Halls
- On-Site Training Includes Classroom & Building in PC's
- Nuclear Plant Standards vs. Conventional Construction
- •OJT on Conventional Builds Prior to RCA Builds



- Small Portable Lifts
- Optimized Preventative Maintenance
- Scope / Remote Monitoring For Inspections

Aggressively Challenge Need For Scaffolding

- Ladders
 - New Generation Tie-Offs
- Permanent Platforms
 - Hard Iron for Frequent Build Areas
 - Permanent Towers









Formal Incorporation of Scaffold Requests Into Work Planning



- Look for Multi-User of Single Tower or Build
- Parent Child Work
 Orders
- Area Based Planning
 & Scheduling
- Work Scope Freeze Dates



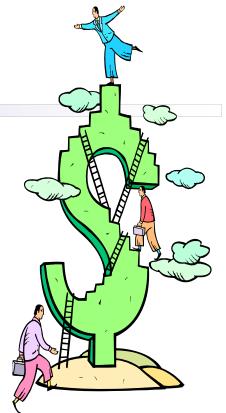
EPRI Scaffold Assessment - Overview

- Matrix of <200 criteria
- Four Days On-Site 32 Man-Hours Minimum
- Pre-Assessment Preparation Review- 80 Hours
- Report Approximately 30 Days
- Over 37 Years Experience Priceless



Plant A Assessment

- Plant Feedback
 - Scaffold Program Manager: "Very thorough scrub of program that will be beneficial to the station"
- Recommendations (>50)
 - Install <u>Permanent Towers</u> for Select Locations
 - 8 Work Control Priority Recommendations
 - Perform Laser Scanning of Drywell and Rx Building
 - Create a Permanent Scaffold Crew
 - Assigning a <u>Dedicated Senior RP Technician</u> to Support the Scaffold Group Each Outage using Project Engineering Budget to Report Directly to Project Engineering Group
 - ~30 Procedure Related Recommendations
- Benefits
 - Potential for ~30% reduction in number of builds/effort
 - LOP Savings: Labor = \$12.2M, Dose = 75 person-Rem



Plant B Assessment

Plant Feedback

- Plant Manager: "was especially impressed (with the assessment)" and expressed his support to the entire leadership team"
- RP Technical Support Lead: "Management at my level and up were very positive about (the) observations and recommendations "

Recommendations (>60)

- <u>Training improvements</u>: contractor certification program, <u>DLA</u>, site specific, new-to-nuclear
- <u>Technology</u>: wireless comm., scaffold material, mobile platforms
- Enhanced use of existing laser scans for planning and design development
- 9 programmatic: <u>technology selection</u>, planning, links in work control software
- Procedure enhancement recommendations
- **Benefits**
 - Potential LOP Savings Labor ~\$3.8M; ~45 person-Rem



Plant C Assessment

Plant Feedback

- Plant Interim ALARA Supervisor: "Excellent review of the program"

Recommendations (>50)

- <u>Planning</u>: walkdowns, work crew engagement, <u>digital photo</u> management, <u>Develop parent child work orders in Maximo</u>
- <u>Training improvements</u>: Maximo use for scaffold crew leads, contractor OSHA training, <u>DLA</u>, site specific, new-to-nuclear
- <u>Data management</u>: tracking sheet enhancements, collection process during outages, snubber location maps by elevation
- Improve the <u>use of existing laser scan</u> for surrogate tours and build designs
- Installing the service water intake access modification
- Benefits
 - Potential LOP Savings Labor ~\$10M; ~60 person-Rem

Together...Shaping the Future of Electricity

