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DOE Gap Closure Activities to Date and Path Forward

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Goal of the Used Fuel Disposition Campaign Storage and Transportation Task

Close the Gaps in the Technical Basis for Extended Storage and Transportation of Used Nuclear Fuel:

- to demonstrate used fuel integrity for extended storage periods
- for fuel retrievability and transportation after long term storage
- for transportation of high burnup fuel.

IDENTIFIED TASKS

- **Review all work since 2010 that has been done to close the technical gaps**
- **Illustrate how the integration of current and past experimental, modeling, and programmatic work is closing the technical data gaps.**
- **Calibrate the prioritized gaps with today's environment (policy/needs/budget, etc.)**
- **Develop a revised multi-year program plan based this reassessment of priorities and programmatic drivers.**

DELIVERABLES BY:

ANL
INL
LANL
LLNL
ORNL
PNNL
SNL
SRNL

REVIEW DELIVERABLES

Year	Assess/ Collect Information	Plan	Experiment	Model
2010	6			
2011	9	3		2
2012	16	13	5	7
2013	16	10	12	18
2014 *	4	8	18	15

GAP-SPECIFIC DELIVERABLES UP TO 2013

Cross-Cutting Gaps	# Labs
Thermal Profiles	5 PNNL, ORNL
Stress Profiles	14 SNL, PNNL, ORNL
Monitoring	8 LANL, PNNL, INL, ORNL
Fuel Transfer Options	3 INL, PNNL, SNL
Drying Issues	1 SRNL
Burnup Credit	5 ORNL
Moderator Exclusion	3 INL
Examination of the Fuel at the INL	3 INL

GAP-SPECIFIC DELIVERABLES UP TO 2013

Gap	# Labs
Canister – Corrosion	7 SNL, ORNL
Cladding	18 ANL, INL, ORNL, PNNL, SNL
Neutron Poisons	1 LANL
Concrete Overpack (Monitoring and Aging Management)	6 ANL, LANL
Cask – Polymer Degradation	2 SRNL

JUST STARTING:

- **Summarize Progress on Closing Gaps**
 - Will compare progress in deliverables against the gap report and reassess needs
- **Prepare 5-year Plan for Research and Development**
 - Will build on previous plans
 - Will coordinate with the uncertainty quantification task
 - To include experiments (single effects, small scale, and engineering scale), modeling, and in-service inspections to further close gaps

Back Up

REVIEW DELIVERABLES

Used Fuel Disposition (UFD) Storage and Transportation – Relevant Up to 9/30/2013

Total Lab Deliverables	175
Total in System	124
Technical Content	100

**Also reviewing a few relevant NFST (Nuclear Fuels
Storage and Transportation) Planning Project deliverables**

2010 TO 2013 DELIVERABLES

Cladding - 18

Stress Profiles - 14

Monitoring - 8

Canister Corrosion - 5

Concrete - 3

Canister Corrosion – 7

Testing Facilities - 7

Thermal Profiles - 5

Burnup Credit - 5

Fuel Transfer Options - 3

Moderator Exclusion - 3

Examination of the Fuel at the INL - 3

Cask Polymer Degradation - 2

Drying Issues - 1

Neutron Poisons -1

2014 DELIVERABLES

High Burnup Demonstration - 11

Cladding - 11

General - 6

Stress Profiles - 5

Thermal - 5

Canister Corrosion - 4

Fuel Transfer Options - 3

Monitoring – 2

Drying Issues - 1

Bolted Cask

Embrittlement of Polymers - 1

Degradation of Seals and Bolts - 1