Transformer Oil Containment Risk Assessment

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Project Timeline

Team Formed - June 2006
Mission Statement & Questionnaire
First Meeting Eufaula - Sept 2006
Second Meeting Table Rock - Dec 2006
Final SPCC Rule - Dec 2006
Question Weighting - Jan 2007
Matrix Development
Preliminary Results - April 2007







Mission Statement

A joint working group of Southwestern Power Resources Association, the United States Department of Energy's Southwestern Power Administration (Southwestern) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) tasked to develop a system wide response to the issue of secondary containment of oil for transformers in service at Corps powerhouses and dam switchyards within Southwestern's marketing area. The work group will prioritize secondary containment based on environmental risk and operational assessment then identify containment solutions based on best practices at a reasonable cost. This effort will also serve as a pilot activity for future system wide asset management upgrade/replacement decisions.









397,000 Gallons of Oil
69 Transformers
26 Locations
24 Hydro Power Facilities
6 USACE Districts







Questionnaire – 64 Questions

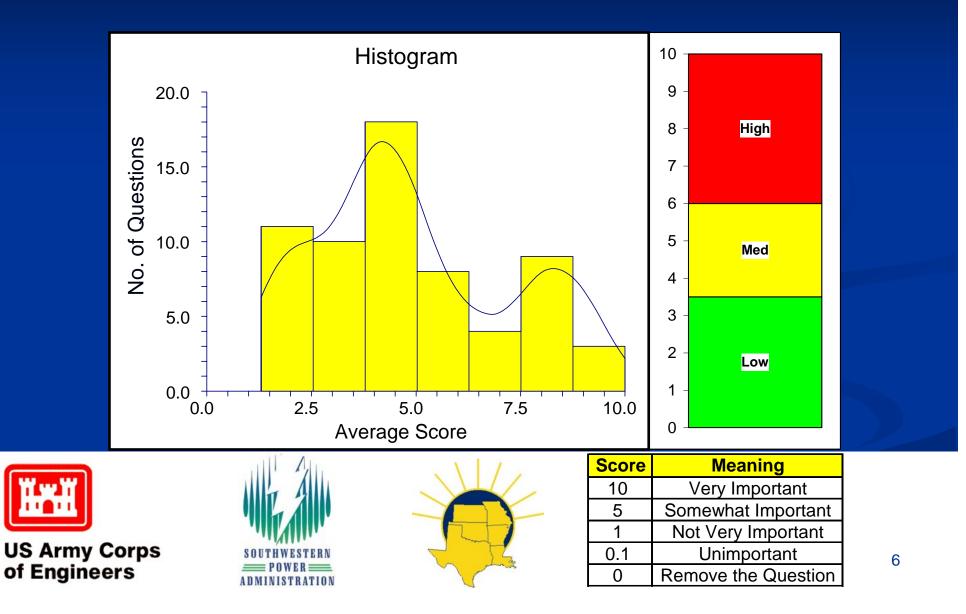
Five Categories
 Site Information
 Utilization/Load Information
 Transformer Information
 Oil information
 Site Topography & Environmental Information







Question Weighting



Site Information

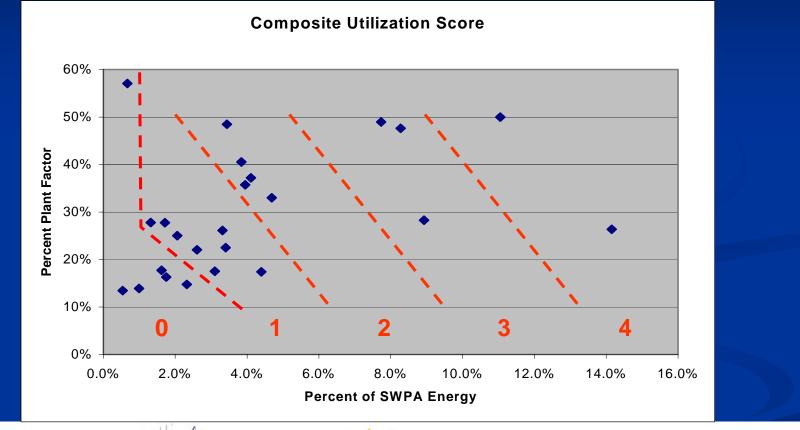
- Current SPCC plan signed by P.E.
- Spill history if any
- Aggregated transformer oil total
- Current & potential containment
- Deluge fire suppression system & Fire response time
- Level alarms, staff level &/or surveillance cameras present







Utilization/Load Information









Transformer Information

- Transformer age
- Number of phases, voltage and current ratings
- Application
- Type of cooling (contact with water)
- Transformer condition







Oil Information

Type of oil PCB history if any and current PCB test results

Dielectric oil test results







Environmental Information

Transformer site sloped towards which water body or stream
 Distance to water body

Drinking water supply

Endangered species

Trout Fishery







Results by Rank & Risk Score

Rank	Site	Risk Score	Rank	Site	Risk Score
1	Bull Shoals	28.6	14	Keystone	12.0
2	Denison	18.9	15	Ozark	11.9
3	Eufaula DT Deck	17.1	16	Harry S. Truman	11.8
4	Beaver	15.7	17	Dardanelle	11.4
5	Norfork	15.3	18	Eufaula SwtchYd	11.0
6	Robert S. Kerr	14.2	19	Webbers Falls	10.0
7	Narrows	14.0	20	Clarence Cannon Deck	9.5
8	Blakely Mountain	13.8	21	DeGray	9.5
9	Greers Ferry	13.7	22	Sam Rayburn	9.2
10	Broken Bow	13.2	23	Stockton	9.0
11	Tenkiller	13.0	24	Clarence Cannon SwYd	5.5
12	Fort Gibson	12.9	25	Whitney	5.5
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Preliminary Results by Need

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SPCC Amendments Dec-2006

- Streamlined, alternative methods for compliance with oil spill prevention requirements for qualified oilfilled operational equipment
- Regulatory relief and cost savings for qualified facilities
 New compliance date -July 1, 2009



Oil Slick Mississippi River after Hurricane Katrina Louisiana DEQ

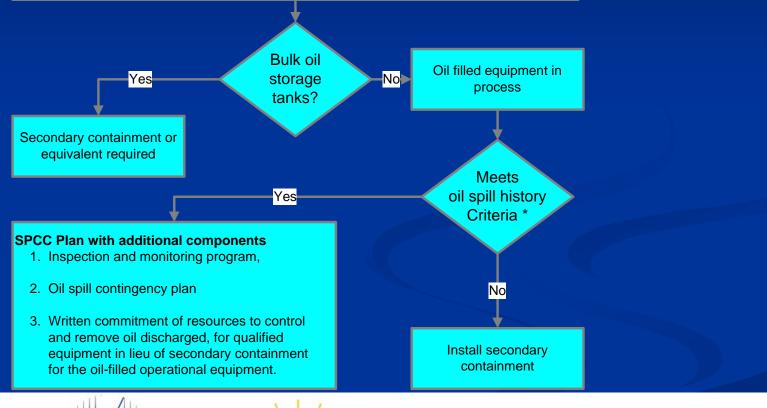








Facility Oil spill discharge may reach navigable waters & capacity of aggregated containers is greater than 1,320 gallons. SPCC Plan needed.









Oil Spill History Criteria

- *Equipment is eligible if the facility did not discharge from any oil-filled equipment
- 1 more than 1,000 U.S. gallons of oil in a single discharge to navigable waters or,
- 2. two discharges of oil to navigable waters each exceeding 42 U.S. gallons within any twelve-month period, in the three years prior to the SPCC Plan certification date.

Eligibility for the oil-filled operational equipment alternative is determined by the discharge history from the equipment, not the entire facility.







Oil-filled Operational Equipment

- Examples: Transformers, Circuit Breakers, Electrical Switches, Hydraulic Systems, Gear Boxes, etc.
- Systems containing oil solely to enable the operation of a device
- Alternative secondary containment options (PE must attest alternative is acceptable)
- Not considered a bulk storage container









Secondary Containment Alternative

In lieu of secondary containment you <u>must</u> have up to-date <u>written</u> SPCC Plan with:

- Oil spill contingency plan
- A written commitment of manpower
- Equipment/Materials available for spill cleanup
- Inspection or monitoring program









Oil Spill Contingency Plan

- Detailed oil spill response and removal plan to control, contain, and recover an oil discharge in quantities that may be harmful to navigable waters/adjoining shorelines
- Authorities, responsibilities of all agencies involved in oil removal
- Notification procedures for detection and notification of oil discharge
- Provisions for known resource capability and their commitment during oil discharge









Written Commitment

Written commitment that facilities are able to implement the contingency plan Owner/operator must provide a written commitment of manpower, equipment, and materials to expeditiously control and remove any quantity of oil discharge that may be harmful









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Recommendations

- Update all site SPCC plans to include signature by P.E. ASAP in accordance to the current SPCC Regulations without written commitment and Spill Contingency Plan.
 - Six purples turn blue and eight yellows turn green







Visual of Recommendations

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- Estimate containment costs at remaining sites.
- Develop 5 year plan using criteria i.e. cost, transformer age, water cooled oil, utilization factor, environmental risk etc.
- Add containment according to plan and use written commitment where secondary containment is not feasible.







Questions ????





