

Summary of the Resolution of the Key Technical Issue on Igneous Activity

Subissue #	Subissue Title	Status	NRC/DOE Agreements
1	<p>Probability of igneous activity at or near the proposed repository site.</p> <p>AC-1 through AC-7: Closed-Pending AC-8: Closed</p>	Closed-Pending	<p>1) In addition to DOE's licensing case, include for Site Recommendation and License Application, for information purposes, the results of a single point sensitivity analysis for extrusive and intrusive igneous processes at 10E-7.</p> <p>DOE agreed that the analysis will be included in TSPA-SR Rev. 0 and will be available to the NRC in November 2000.</p> <p>2) Examine new aeromagnetic data for potential buried igneous features (see U.S. Geological Survey, Open-File Report 00-188, Online Version 1.0), and evaluate the effect on the probability estimate. If the data survey specifications are not adequate for this use, this action is not required.</p> <p>DOE agreed and its initial evaluation of the report with proposed actions resulting from the review will be available to the NRC by October 11, 2000.</p>

2	<p>Consequences of igneous activity within the repository setting.</p> <p><u>Eruptive Scenario Modeling</u> AC-1: Closed-Pending AC-2: Closed-Pending AC-3: Closed-Pending AC-4: Closed AC-5: Closed-Pending AC-6: Closed</p> <p><u>Intrusive Scenario Modeling</u> AC-1: Closed-Pending AC-2: Closed-Pending AC-3: Closed-Pending AC-4: Open</p>	Open	<p>1) Re-examine the ASHPLUME Code to confirm that particle density is appropriately changed when waste particles are incorporated into the ash. (Eruptive AC-1)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will correct the description in the ICN to AMR, Igneous Consequences Modeling for TSPA-SR [ANL-WIS-MD-000017] as needed to address the concern. This will be available to the NRC in January 2001.</p> <p>2) Document results of sensitivity studies for particle size, consistent with (1) above. (Eruptive AC-1)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will document the waste particle size sensitivity study in TSPA-SR, Rev. 1. This will be available to the NRC in June 2001.</p> <p>3) Document how the tephra volumes from analog volcanos represent the likely range of tephra volumes from Yucca Mountain Region (YMR) volcanos. (Eruptive AC-1)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will document the basis for determining the range of tephra volumes that is likely from possible future volcanoes in the YMR in TSPA-SR, Rev. 1 or demonstrate that TSPA-SR results are insensitive to uncertainties in the reasonably expected volumes of tephra in the YMR. This will be available to the NRC in June 2001.</p>
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2 (Cont.)	Consequences of igneous activity within the repository setting.		<p>4) Document that the ASHPLUME model, as used in the DOE performance assessment, has been compared with an analog igneous system. (Eruptive AC-2)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will complete calculation CAL-WIS-MD-000011 that will document a comparison of the ASHPLUME code results to observed data from the 1995 Cerro Negro eruption. This will be available to the NRC in January 2001.</p> <p>DOE will consider Cerro Negro as an analog and document that in TSPA-SR Rev. 1. This will be available to the NRC in June 2001.</p> <p>5) Document how the current approach to calculating the number of waste packages intersected by conduits addresses potential effects of conduit elongation along a drift. (Eruptive AC-3)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will document the way in which the change in geometry of the repository drifts affects the number of waste packages incorporated into the volcanic conduit. Possible consequences of conduit elongation parallel to drifts will be documented in TSPA-SR Rev. 1, available to the NRC in June 2001.</p>
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2 (Cont.)	Consequences of igneous activity within the repository setting.		<p>6) Develop a linkage between soil removal rate used in TSPA and surface remobilization processes characteristics of the Yucca Mountain region (which includes additions and deletions to the system). (Eruptive AC-5)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will document its approach to include uncertainty related to surface-redistribution processes in TSPA-SR, Rev. 0. DOE will revisit the approach in TSPA-SR, Rev. 1. This documentation will be available to the NRC in June 2001.</p> <p>7) Document the basis for airborne particle concentrations used in TSPA in Rev. 1 to the Input Values for External and Inhalation Radiation Exposure AMR. (Eruptive AC-5)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will provide documentation for the input values in the Input Parameter Values for External and Inhalation Radiation Exposure Analysis AMR [ANL-MGR-MD-000001] Rev. 1. This will be available to NRC in January 2001.</p> <p>8) Provide additional justification on the reasonableness of the assumption that the inhalation of particles in the 10-100 micron range is treated as additional soil ingestion, or change the BDCFs to reflect ICRP-30. (Eruptive AC-5)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will review how 10-100 micron particles are considered in the model for the eruptive scenario. The results will be documented in Input Parameter Values for External and Inhalation Radiation Exposure Analysis AMR [ANL-MGR-MD-</p>
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2 (Cont.)	Consequences of igneous activity within the repository setting.		<p>9) Use the appropriate wind speeds for the various heights of eruption columns being modeled. (Eruptive AC-5)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will evaluate the wind speed data appropriate for the height of the eruptive columns being modeled. This will be documented in TSPA-SR, Rev. 1. This will be available to the NRC in June 2001.</p>
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2 (Cont.)	Consequences of igneous activity within the repository setting.		<p>10) Document the ICNs to the Igneous Consequences AMR and the Dike Propagation AMR regarding the calculation of the number of waste packages hit by the intrusion. Include in these or other documents (1) the intermediate results of the releases from Zone 1 and 2, separately, and (2) the evaluation of thermal and mechanical effects, as well as shock, in assessing the degree of waste package damage in Zone 1 and 2. (Intrusive AC-1 to 4)</p> <p>DOE agreed and will provide ICN 1 of the following AMRs: Igneous Consequences Modeling for TSPA-SR AMR [ANL-WIS-MD-000017], the Dike Propagation Near Drifts AMR [ANL-WIS-MD-000015], the Characterize Framework for Igneous Activity at Yucca Mountain, Nevada AMR [ANL-MGR-GS-000001], and the Calculation Number of Waste Packages Hit by Igneous Intrusion [CAL-WIS-PA-000001]. This will be available to the NRC in January 2001.</p> <p>DOE will provide the results showing the relative contributions of releases from Zones 1 and 2 in TSPA-SR, Rev. 1. This will be available to the NRC in June 2001.</p> <p>DOE will provide the evaluation of thermal mechanical effects on waste package damage in Zones 1 and 2 in ICN 1 of the Dike Propagation Near Drifts AMR [ANL-WIS-MD-000015]. This will be available to the NRC in January 2001.</p>
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