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#### TMI-2: REMOTE TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING

## DATA ACQUISITION METHODS USED AT THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2

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## FUEL REMOVAL EQUIPMENT FOR THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2

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# DISASSEMBLY AND DEFUELING OF THE THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2 REACTOR VESSEL LOWER CORE SUPPORT ASSEMBLY

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#### THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2 PREPARATIONS FOR DE-FUELING

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#### **EX-VESSEL DEFUELING FOR THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2**

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## DEVELOPMENT OF REMOTELY CONTROLLED DEVICES FOR THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2

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#### CONCEPTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF TWO MOBILE TELE-OPERATED SYSTEMS FOR THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2

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## IMPLEMENTATION OF REMOTE EQUIPMENT AT THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2

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# PERFORMANCE OF THE AUTOMATED CUTTING EQUIPMENT SYSTEM DURING THE PLASMA CUTTING OF THE THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2 LOWER CORE SUPPORT ASSEMBLY

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has been closely involved in the development and field implementation of electric discharge machining techniques for reactor internals modification efforts. He was the PCI on-site project manager for the duration of the implementation of the automated cutting equipment system at TMI-2.

## CRITICALITY ANALYSIS SUPPORT FOR THE THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2 FUEL REMOVAL OPERATIONS

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#### CRITICALITY PREVENTION DURING POSTACCIDENT DE-CONTAMINATION OF THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2 PLANT SYSTEMS

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#### THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2 LICENSING HISTORY

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# APPLICATION OF THREE-DIMENSIONAL COMPUTER SOLIDS MODELING TO THREE MILE ISLAND UNIT 2 DEFUELING ACTIVITIES

Richard D. Schauss (top) is an independent consultant with 19 years of experience in the nuclear industry with focus on development of technical computer applications in support of operational programs for radiation protection and engineering. His past accomplishments include the design and implementation of on-line radiation exposure management systems as well as the design of RADMAPS, a state-of-the-art radiation mapping system, and other specialized applications that integrate with three-dimensional plant configuration models. In addition to computer-aided design and three-dimensional solids modeling, his current interests include interactive multimedia systems for the integration and communication of complex technical information. David K. Cowser (center) (BS, mechanical engineering, University of Tennessee, 1982) is project engineer for the recovery of the damaged Three Mile Island Unit 2 (TMI-2) reactor. He has had extensive experience in the use of remote technologies to install, maintain, and decommission equipment and facilities used in fuel processing, isotope production, and reactor defueling. His interests include systems engineering, value engineering, and productivity improvement. Michael J. Kelley (bottom) (design drafting, Northern Chester County Technical School) is a design supervisor at the TMI nuclear power plant for Construction Systems Associates and is involved in the development and application of three-dimensional computerized models of TMI-2 for defueling purposes and for TMI-1 design changes.

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