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REDUCING UNCERTAINTY ALLOWANCE IN CORE LIMITS CALCULATIONS

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PRISM: A SAFE, ECONOMIC, AND TESTABLE LIQUID-METAL FAST BREEDER REACTOR PLANT

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IN SITU MEASUREMENT OF LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVITIES USING THE COMPTON SUPPRESSION TECHNIQUE

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OPTIMAL SUCCESS PATH GENERATION SYSTEM BASED ON INTEGRATED RELIABILITY RULES

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ANALYSIS OF A PRESSURIZED WATER REACTOR NATURAL CIRCULATION TRANSIENT AT BEGINNING OF LIFE

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FUEL CYCLES

ANALYSIS OF A PARTIAL-REFUELING ULTRA-LONG-LIFE CORE USING METALLIC FUEL FOR 1000-MW(electric) LIQUID-METAL FAST BREEDER REACTORS

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PARTITIONING OF NITRIC ACID INTERMEDIATE-LEVEL WASTE SOLUTIONS BY SORPTION

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MODELING OF THE VISCOSITY OF GLASSES USED IN THE IMMOBILIZATION OF HIGH-LEVEL LIQUID NUCLEAR WASTE

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HEAT TRANSFER AND FLUID FLOW

IDENTIFICATION OF TWO-PHASE FLOW REGIMES BY NEUTRON NOISE ANALYSIS

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GAS TAG BLENDING WITH LINEAR PROGRAMMING

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