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Corrosion Mechanisms In Advanced Cooling Water Systems

Responding to Wider Interest in Water Management Tools and Technologies

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USGS Data Show Significance of Electricity Generators in Freshwater Utilization

U.S. Freshwater Withdrawal (2000)



Withdrawal (Availability) Is Major Risk for Electricity Generators Even If Consumption Is Modest Overall



Water Resource Management Strategic Issue: Core Industry Needs & Responsive R&D Thrusts



Corrosion Mechanisms in Air Cooled Condensers

Objectives and Scope

- Research the corrosion mechanisms in the ACC
 - Develop control techniques to manage
 - Mitigate corrosion
- Reduce impact of deposition
- Quantify benefits of advanced technologies

Value

- Improve performance and reduce damage and reduce O&M cost
- Increase component life and reliability



Details and Contact

- Total estimated cost \$450,000
- Host site \$150,000 non host site \$75,000
- TC Funds up to 50% may be used Richard Breckenridge
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Improved Understanding and Control of Corrosion in ACC's



Advanced Cooling Technologies (ACT) Project

- Optimized cooling systems
 Dry/Wet cooling tower R&D
- Advanced cooling alternatives
 Hybrid cooling systems
- Other approaches; e.g.,
 - Bottoming cycles
 - Moisture extraction from flue gas
- Understanding water use in CO₂ capture processes
- Co-sponsor 2011 Conference (with ASME)







Multiple Parallel Thrusts



Water Research Center Focus Areas





Center Location: Georgia Power's Plant Bowen



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