

9.6 FUEL PRECONDITIONING GUIDELINES ①

Core Condition Category	Category Definition	Applicable Range ②	Maximum Rate of Change in Core Power
1	Increase in core power to a level which has not been previously sustained for more than 3 hours w/in the last 60 days ③	Above 50% of nominal	3%/hr
2	Increase in core power to level which has not been previously sustained for 3 hours w/in the last 8 days	Above 50% of nominal	20%/hr
3	Increase in core power to a level which has been sustained for 3 hours w/in the last 8 days	Above 50% of nominal	30%/hr

- ① With Axial Shape Control (as described in Attachment 9.4, ASI Shape Control Guidelines).
- ② No restrictions below 50% power.
- ③ For the initial power escalation following refueling, Category 1 applies to all fuel.