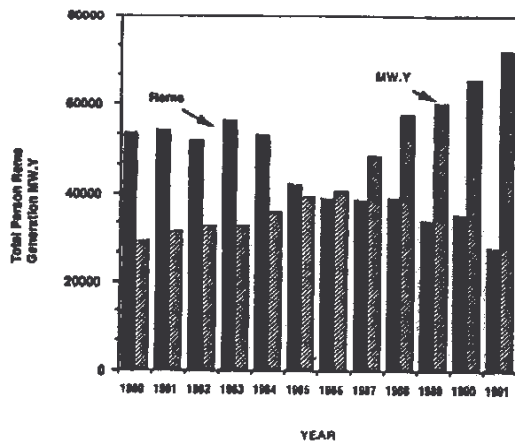


N186. 1991 Exposure Trends

Preliminary data suggest that the reduction in radiation exposure in the U.S. nuclear power industry exceeded all expectations in 1991. Rather than leveling off as had been feared, average exposure per plant decreased by at least 20% for both PWRs and BWRs. At the same time, electric power generation increased by nearly 10% in 1991 to an all-time high. Some of the numbers still need to be verified, but the trends shown in Figure 1 are clear.



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