

# <sup>10</sup>B in the form of Boric Acid for nuclear industry



- B-10 enriched Boric Acid for use as a chemical shim for excess neutron absorption in the primary circuit of PWRs using high burnup or MOX fuel cores.
- In these PWRs neutron absorption of natural Boric Acid is insufficient. Solubility of Boric Acid limits the boron concentration in primary circuit water to be used as neutron poison.
- Today more and more enriched Boric Acid (>95% enriched in <sup>10</sup>B) is used by NPPs.

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## **Specification**

#### **Physical properties:**

Material
<sup>10</sup>B – Boron-10 in the

form of crystalline Boric

Acid

• Enrichment <sup>10</sup>B ≥ 96at%

#### **Chemical Properties:**

• Form B(OH)<sub>3</sub>

• Purity ≥ 99,95 wt%

### Impurities in ppm

As	≤ 0,5
Ca	≤ 1
CI	≤ 5
F	≤ 1
Na	≤ 5
Pb	≤ 1
PO <sub>4</sub>	≤ 1
SO <sub>4</sub>	≤ 2
Insolubles in H <sub>2</sub> O	≤ 20