

February 16, 2001

Mr. Robert E. Denton
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC
DISCLOSURE, NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION,
UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2 (TAC NOS. MB0878 AND MB0879)

Dear Mr. Denton:

By your application dated February 1, 2001, and affidavit dated January 30, 2001, you submitted "Application for Order and Conforming Administrative Amendments of License Transfers" for Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 (NMP-1 and NMP-2). The application package included a number of exhibits, several of them (Exhibits 7A, 10A, 11A, 13A and 15A [erroneously identified as 16A in your affidavit]) were stated to contain financial projections related to the operation of NMP-1 and NMP-2 and confidential financial and corporate information. You requested, since these documents contain proprietary commercial and financial information, that they be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 9.17(a)(4) and 10 CFR 2.790. You and the intended sellers jointly submitted, also on February 1, 2001, a nonproprietary version of the application package with all the above-listed Exhibits redacted for placement in the NRC public document room (Accession No. ML010370122).

The affidavit stated that the above-listed Exhibits should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure for the following reasons:

- (i) This information is of a type that is held in confidence by Constellation Energy Group, Inc. and Constellation Nuclear, LLC and there is a rational basis for doing so because the information contains sensitive financial information concerning the projected revenues and operating expenses of Constellation Energy Group, Inc., Constellation Nuclear, LLC and other affiliated entities.
- (ii) This information is being and has been held in confidence by Constellation Energy Group, Inc. and Constellation Nuclear, LLC.
- (iii) This information is being transmitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in confidence.
- (iv) This information is not available in public sources and could not be gathered readily from other publicly available information.

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- (v) Public disclosure of this information would create substantial harm to the competitive position of Constellation Energy Group, Inc., Constellation Nuclear, LLC and other affiliated entities by disclosing internal financial projections for these entities and confidential financial and corporate information to other parties whose commercial interests may be adverse to those of Constellation Energy Group, Inc., Constellation Nuclear, LLC and other affiliated entities.

We have reviewed your application material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 9.17(a)(4) and 10 CFR 2.790 and, on the basis of your statements, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure.

Therefore, the above-listed exhibits will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(b)(5) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Withholding from public inspection shall not affect the right, if any, of persons properly and directly concerned to inspect the documents. If the need arises, we may send copies of this information to our consultants working in this area. We will, of course, ensure that the consultants have signed the appropriate agreements for handling proprietary information.

If the basis for withholding this information from public inspection should change in the future such that the information could then be made available for public inspection, you should promptly notify the NRC. You also should understand that the NRC may have cause to review this determination in the future, for example, if the scope of a Freedom of Information Act request includes your information. In all review situations, if the NRC makes a determination adverse to the above, you will be notified in advance of any public disclosure.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, I may be reached at 301-415-1451.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Peter S. Tam, Senior Project Manager, Section 1
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