December 15, 2003

Mr. David A. Christian Sr. Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. Innsbrook Technical Center 5000 Dominion Boulevard Glen Allen, VA 23060-6711

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE,

MILLSTONE POWER STATION, UNIT NOS. 1, 2, AND 3 (TAC NOS. MC0999,

MC1000, AND MC1001)

Dear Mr. Christian:

By Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. (DNC) letter (B19012) dated November 7, 2003, and DNC affidavit, executed by Eugene S. Grecheck, dated November 7, 2003 (Attachment 2 to letter B19012), DNC requested that the information contained in the following document be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 2.790:

DNC 5 Year Financial Projection (Enclosure 1 to Letter B19012)

A nonproprietary copy of this document (Enclosure 2 to letter B19012), has been placed in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Public Document Room and added to the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Public Electronic Reading Room.

The affidavit stated that the submitted information should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure for the following reasons:

- (1) This information is being held in confidence by DNC.
- (2) This information is of a type that is held in confidence by DNC, and there is a rational basis for doing so because the information contains sensitive commercial information concerning DNC's financial information and capacity factor.
- (3) This information is being transmitted to the NRC in confidence.
- (4) This information is not available in public sources and could not be gathered readily from other publicly available information.
- (5) Public disclosure of this information would create substantial harm to the competitive position of DNC by disclosing confidential DNC internal financial information to other parties whose commercial interests may be adverse to those of DNC. Furthermore, DNC has expended significant resources in the development of the information. Therefore, the use of this confidential information

by competitors would permit them to use the information developed by DNC without the expenditure of similar resources, thus giving them a competitive advantage.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 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 version of the submitted information marked as proprietary 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 301-415-1420.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Richard B. Ennis, Senior Project Manager, Section 2 Project Directorate I Division of Licensing Project Management Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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