

May 5, 2004

Mr. Christopher M. Crane, President  
and Chief Nuclear Officer  
Exelon Generation Company, LLC  
4300 Winfield Road  
Warrenville, IL 60555

SUBJECT: EXELON GENERATION COMPANY, LLC, REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING  
INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FOR LASALLE COUNTY  
STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2 (TAC NOS. MB7795 AND MB7796)

Dear Mr. Crane:

By letter dated January 31, 2003 (RS-03-010), Exelon Generation Company (EGC), LLC, submitted affidavits dated June 24 and July 12, 2003, executed by George B. Stramback of General Electric Company (GE). You requested that the information contained in the following documents be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 2, Section 2.790 (now Section 2.390):

GE-NE-0000-0003-5526-02, "Pressure-Temperature Curves for Exelon LaSalle Unit 1,"  
Revision 0, Class III (GE Proprietary Information), dated July 2002

GE-NE-0000-0003-5526-01, "Pressure-Temperature Curves for Exelon LaSalle Unit 2,"  
Revision 0, Class III (GE Proprietary Information), dated June 2002

A nonproprietary copy of these documents 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 affidavits stated that the submitted information should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure for the following reasons:

- (4)a Information that discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by General Electric's competitors without license from General Electric constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies;
- (4)b Information which, if used by a competitor, would reduce his expenditure of resources or improve his competitive position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing of a similar product;
- (8) The information identified above is classified as proprietary because it contains detailed methods and processes, which GE has developed and applied to pressure-temperature curves for the boiling water reactor (BWR) over a number of years.

The development of the BWR pressure-temperature curves was achieved at a significant cost, on the order of ¾ million dollars, to GE. The development of the results is derived from the extensive experience database that constitutes a major GE asset.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 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 versions of the submitted information marked as proprietary will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(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.

Sincerely,

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