Mr. James F. Mallay Director, Regulatory Affairs Framatome ANP 3815 Old Forest Road Lynchburg, VA 24501

SUBJECT: FRAMATOME ANP, INC., REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FOR SAINT LUCIE UNIT 1 (TAC NO. MB5178)

Dear Mr. Mallay:

By Florida Power & Light Company's letter dated February 11, 2004, and Mr. Jerald S. Holm's affidavit dated January 8, 2004, Framatome ANP, Incorporated (FANP), requested that its loss of forced reactor coolant flow analysis for St. Lucie Unit 1 be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 2.790 [Note: On February 13, 2004, 10 CFR Part 2 was revised and Section 2.790 was renumbered as Section 2.390].

A nonproprietary copy of this document has been placed in the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) 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:

- (a) The information reveals details of FANP's research and development plans and programs or their results.
- (b) Use of the information by a competitor would permit the competitor to significantly reduce its expenditures, in time or resources, to design, produce, or market a similar product or service.
- (c) The information includes test data or analytical techniques concerning a process, methodology, or component, the application of which results in a competitive advantage for FANP.
- (d) The information reveals certain distinguishing aspects of a process, methodology, or component, the exclusive use of which provides a competitive advantage for FANP in product optimization or marketability.
- (e) The information is vital to a competitive advantage held by FANP, would be helpful to competitors to FANP, and would likely cause substantial harm to the competitive position of FANP.

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We have reviewed Mr. Holm's application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 and, on the basis of his statements, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure.

Therefore, the document listed above and identified 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.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, I may be reached at 301-415-3974.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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