

May 11, 2006

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SUBJECT: MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT - REQUEST FOR
WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE
(TAC NO. MC8971)

Dear Mr. Conway:

By your letter dated April 13, 2006, and affidavit dated March 15, 2006, executed by Mr. Juan M. Cajigas of Applied Analysis Corporation (AAC), you submitted supplemental information to support your application for amendment to use the alternative source term methodology. You requested that information contained in Compact Disc 2 of 2, "Alternative Source Term Supplemental Information," be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 2, Section 2.390.

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

- a. The information discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by AAC's competitors without license from AAC constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies;
- b. The information which, if used by a competitor, would reduce his expenditure of resources or improve his competitive position in the design, preparation, assurance of quality, or licensing of a similar service.

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

Therefore, the calculations identified above, which are 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.

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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/

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