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Request for Review and Approval of ANP-10263(P) Revision 0, "Codes and Methods Applicability Report for the U.S. EPR"

Ref.: 1. ANP-10263(P) Revision 0, "Codes and Methods Applicability Report for the U.S. EPR," August 2006.

AREVA NP Inc. requests the NRC's review and approval of the topical report ANP-10263(P) Revision 0, "Codes and Methods Applicability Report for the U.S. EPR," Reference 1. This topical report demonstrates the applicability to the U.S. EPR of a number of topical reports, which have been previously approved by the NRC for application to currently operating plants.

AREVA NP requests that the NRC issue a Safety Evaluation which approves the use of the codes and methods described by these topical reports, as modified by Reference 1, for the U.S. EPR. AREVA NP plans to reference the approved version of Reference 1 in its Design Control Document for the U.S. EPR. The purpose of the Reference 1 topical report is to get NRC review and approval of the codes and methods prior to the NRC review of the Design Control Document. It is requested that the NRC complete its review of the topical report by August 2007.

A proprietary and a non-proprietary version of Reference 1 are enclosed on CDs.

AREVA NP considers some of the material contained in Reference 1 to be proprietary. As required by 10 CFR 2.390(b), an affidavit is enclosed to support the withholding of the information from public disclosure.

Ms. Sandra M. Sloan, Regulatory Affairs Manager for New Plants Deployment, remains the point of contact with the NRC for U.S. EPR licensing activities. She may be reached by telephone at 434-832-2369 or by e-mail at sandra.sloan@areva.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronnie L. Gardner".

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AFFIDAVIT

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1. My name is Jerald S. Holm. I am Manager, Product Licensing, for AREVA NP Inc. and as such I am authorized to execute this Affidavit.

2. I am familiar with the criteria applied by AREVA NP to determine whether certain AREVA NP information is proprietary. I am familiar with the policies established by AREVA NP to ensure the proper application of these criteria.

3. I am familiar with the AREVA NP information contained in the topical report ANP-10263P Revision 0, *"EPR Codes and Methods Applicability Report for the U.S. EPR"*, August 2006 and referred to herein as "Document." Information contained in this Document has been classified by AREVA NP as proprietary in accordance with the policies established by AREVA NP for the control and protection of proprietary and confidential information.

4. This Document contains information of a proprietary and confidential nature and is of the type customarily held in confidence by AREVA NP and not made available to the public. Based on my experience, I am aware that other companies regard information of the kind contained in this Document as proprietary and confidential.

5. This Document has been made available to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission in confidence with the request that the information contained in this Document be withheld from public disclosure.

6. The following criteria are customarily applied by AREVA NP to determine whether information should be classified as proprietary:

- (a) The information reveals details of AREVA NP'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 AREVA NP.
- (d) The information reveals certain distinguishing aspects of a process, methodology, or component, the exclusive use of which provides a competitive advantage for AREVA NP in product optimization or marketability.
- (e) The information is vital to a competitive advantage held by AREVA NP, would be helpful to competitors to AREVA NP, and would likely cause substantial harm to the competitive position of AREVA NP.

7. In accordance with AREVA NP's policies governing the protection and control of information, proprietary information contained in this Document have been made available, on a limited basis, to others outside AREVA NP only as required and under suitable agreement providing for nondisclosure and limited use of the information.

8. AREVA NP policy requires that proprietary information be kept in a secured file or area and distributed on a need-to-know basis.

9. The foregoing statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge,
information, and belief.

Jerald Holm

SUBSCRIBED before me this 9th
day of August, 2006.

Susan K. McCoy

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