

September 19, 2006

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SUBJECT: WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC COMPANY, LLC REQUEST FOR
WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FOR
SEABROOK STATION, UNIT NO. 1 (TAC NO. MC8554)

Dear Mr. Maurer:

By FPL Energy Seabrook, LLC (FPLE) letter SBK-L-05186 dated September 29, 2005, and Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC (Westinghouse) affidavit dated September 7, 2005 (Attachment 2 to FPLE letter SBK-L-05186), FPLE 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 2.390:

LTR-CDME-05-170-P, "Limited Inspection of the Steam Generator Tube Portion Within the Tubesheet at Seabrook Generating Station," dated August 2005 (Attachment 1 to FPLE letter SBK-L-05186)

A nonproprietary copy of this document (Enclosure 2 to FPLE letter SBK-L-05185, dated September 29, 2005) 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.

As follows, the affidavit contained information demonstrating that the submitted information should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure:

- (1) The information is of the type typically held in confidence by Westinghouse, and is in fact so held.
- (2) The information was transmitted to the NRC in confidence.
- (3) The information has not been publically disclosed, nor is it available in public sources.
- (4) Public disclosure of the information would be likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of Westinghouse because it would enhance the ability of competitors with respect to design, manufacture, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing a similar product or service without commensurate expenses.

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 version 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.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, I may be reached at (301) 415-2481.

Sincerely,

/RA/

G. Edward Miller, Project Manager
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