

April 3, 2007

Mr. David J. Modeen
Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer
Electric Power Research Institute
1300 West W.T. Harris Boulevard
Charlotte, North Carolina 28262

Dear Mr. Modeen:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, I am responding to your letter of February 20, 2007, requesting authorization for the Electric Power Research Institute to control Safeguards Information as prescribed by Part 73 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*. After careful review of your request, the Commission believes that your request has merit.

I have instructed Mr. Roy P. Zimmerman, Director, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response, to coordinate this effort with your representative, Mr. Richard Oehlberg. Mr. Zimmerman and his staff will be in contact soon to begin the process.

Should you have any questions regarding this issue, please feel free to contact, or have a member of your staff contact Ms. A. Lynn Silvious, Chief, Information Security Branch, at (301) 415-2214.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Edward McGaffigan, Jr.
Acting Chairman