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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attn: Document Control Desk One White Flint North 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852

Subject:

Supplemental Information Regarding the Application for the TN-40 Transport

Packaging for Spent Fuel, Revision 0, Docket No. 71-9313, (TAC No. L24106)

Reference:

Letter from Meraj Rahimi (NRC) to Robert Grubb (TN), "Receipt of Application -

Acknowledgement Letter," August 24, 2007

Gentlemen:

The referenced acknowledgement letter requested computer inputs and calculation packages for certain thermal analyses. Based on discussions with the NRC staff, Transnuclear, Inc. (TN) hereby provides paper copies of two thermal calculations and compact disk copies of certain associated computer files, to facilitate NRC staff review of the application. Both a proprietary and non-proprietary version of the paper copies are included. The information on the disks is entirely proprietary.

This submittal includes proprietary information which may not be used for any purpose other than to facilitate NRC staff's review of the application. In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390, I am providing an affidavit (Enclosure 1) specifically requesting that this proprietary information be withheld from public disclosure.

Should the NRC staff require additional information regarding this submittal, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Don Shaw at 410-910-6878 or me at 410-910-6930.

Sincerely,

Robert Grubb

Senior Vice President - Engineering

cc: Mr. Meraj Rahimi (NRC SFST) (one paper copy of this cover letter and Enclosure 1, three paper copies of Enclosures 2 and 4, one paper copy of Enclosure 6, plus one copy of Enclosure 7)

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Enclosures:

- 1. Affidavit Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390
- 2. Transnuclear, Inc. Calculation 10421-010, Revision 1 (Proprietary version)
- 3. Transnuclear, Inc. Calculation 10421-010, Revision 1 (Non-proprietary version)
- 4. Transnuclear, Inc. Calculation 10421-37, Revision 1 (Proprietary version)
- 5. Transnuclear, Inc. Calculation 10421-37, Revision 1 (Non-proprietary version)
- 6. List of files contained in Enclosure 7
- 7. Compact Disks (three disks) containing Transnuclear, Inc. Computer Files listed in Enclosure 6 (Proprietary)

AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO 10 CFR 2.390

Transnuclear, Inc.)
State of Maryland County of Howard)	SS
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I, Robert Grubb, depose and say that I am Senior Vice President of Transnuclear, Inc., duly authorized to make this affidavit, and have reviewed or caused to have reviewed the information which is identified as proprietary and referenced in the paragraph immediately below. I am submitting this affidavit in conformance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.390 of the Commission's regulations for withholding this information.

The information for which proprietary treatment is sought is contained in Enclosures 2, 4, and 7 and is listed below:

- 1. Transnuclear, Inc. Calculation 10421-010, Revision 1
- 2. Transnuclear, Inc. Calculation 10421-37, Revision 1
- 3. Certain computer files associated with these two calculations

These items have been appropriately designated as proprietary.

I have personal knowledge of the criteria and procedures utilized by Transnuclear, Inc. in designating information as a trade secret, privileged or as confidential commercial or financial information.

Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (b) (4) of Section 2.390 of the Commission's regulations, the following is furnished for consideration by the Commission in determining whether the information sought to be withheld from public disclosure, included in the above referenced document, should be withheld.

- The information sought to be withheld from public disclosure involves calculations and computer files associated with the thermal analyses and modeling of the TN-40 transportation packaging, which is owned and has been held in confidence by Transnuclear, Inc.
- 2) The information is of a type customarily held in confidence by Transnuclear, Inc. and not customarily disclosed to the public. Transnuclear, Inc. has a rational basis for determining the types of information customarily held in confidence by it.
- The information is being transmitted to the Commission in confidence under the provisions of 10 CFR 2.390 with the understanding that it is to be received in confidence by the Commission.
- 4) The information, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is not available in public sources, and any disclosure to third parties has been made pursuant to regulatory provisions or proprietary agreements which provide for maintenance of the information in confidence.
- Public disclosure of the information is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of Transnuclear, Inc. because:
 - a) A similar product is manufactured and sold by competitors of Transnuclear, Inc.

- b) Development of this information by Transnuclear, Inc. required expenditure of considerable resources. To the best of my knowledge and belief, a competitor would have to undergo similar expense in generating equivalent information.
- c) In order to acquire such information, a competitor would also require considerable time and inconvenience related to the development of a design and analysis of a dry spent fuel storage system.
- d) The information required significant effort and expense to obtain the licensing approvals necessary for application of the information. Avoidance of this expense would decrease a competitor's cost in applying the information and marketing the product to which the information is applicable.
- e) The information consists of descriptions of the design and analysis of transportation packaging, the application of which provide a competitive economic advantage. The availability of such information to competitors would enable them to modify their product to better compete with Transnuclear, Inc., take marketing or other actions to improve their product's position or impair the position of Transnuclear, Inc.'s product, and avoid developing similar data and analyses in support of their processes, methods or apparatus.
- f) In pricing Transnuclear, Inc.'s products and services, significant research, development, engineering, analytical, licensing, quality assurance and other costs and expenses must be included. The ability of Transnuclear, Inc.'s competitors to utilize such information without similar expenditure of resources may enable them to sell at prices reflecting significantly lower costs.

Further the deponent sayeth not.

Robert Grubb

Senior Vice President, Transnuclear, Inc.

Subscribed and sworn-to me before this 11th day of September, 2007.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires 10/14/2008

