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## Response to U. S. EPR Design Certification RAI No. 240, FSAR Ch. 18, Supplement 1

- Ref. 1: E-mail, Getachew Tesfaye (NRC) to Ronda Pederson, et al (AREVA NP Inc.), "U.S. EPR Design Certification Application RAI No. 240, FSAR Ch. 18," June 5, 2009.
- Ref. 2: E-mail, Ronda Pederson (AREVA NP Inc.) to Getachew Tesfaye (NRC), "Response to U.S. EPR Design Certification Application RAI No. 240, FSAR Ch. 18," July 8, 2009.

In Reference 1, the NRC provided a request for additional information (RAI) regarding the U.S. EPR design certification application. Reference 2 provided a schedule for response to the one question of RAI 240. A technically correct and complete response is enclosed with this letter.

The following table indicates the respective pages in the enclosed response document that contain the AREVA NP Inc. (AREVA NP) response to the subject question.

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RAI 240 — 18-36	2	6

Appended to the RAI response document are affected pages of the U.S. EPR Final Safety Analysis Report in redline-strikeout format which support the response to RAI 240 Question 18-36.

Also enclosed are the following AREVA NP documents, referred to in the RAI response document:

- U.S. EPR<sup>™</sup> Task Analysis Implementation Plan
- U.S. EPR™ Human Factors Procedure Implementation Plan
- U.S. EPR<sup>™</sup> HFE Project Management Plan
- U.S. EPR™ Human Factors Training Implementation Plan
- SRP Chapter 18 Compliance Document

In addition to the enclosed documents, AREVA NP previously submitted 10 documents in response to U.S. EPR Design Certification Application RAI No. 171. The enclosed documents complete the suite of documents supporting the NRC review of U.S. EPR FSAR Tier 2, Chapter 18.

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AREVA NP considers the enclosed documents listed above to be proprietary in their entirety; therefore, a non-proprietary version is not submitted. As required by 10 CFR 2.390(b), an affidavit is enclosed to support the withholding of the information from public disclosure.

This concludes the formal AREVA NP response to RAI 240, and there are no questions from this RAI for which AREVA NP has not provided responses.

Sincerely,

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AREVA NP Inc.

Enclosure

cc: G. Tesfaye

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- My name is George L. Pannell. I am Manager, Product Licensing, for AREVA
   NP Inc. (AREVA NP) 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 documents entitled, 118-9101668-000, "U.S. EPR™ Task Analysis Implementation Plan," and 118-9104936-000, "U.S. EPR™ Human Factors Procedure Implementation Plan," and 118-9110637-000, "U.S. EPR™ HFE Project Management Plan," and 118-9111656-000, "U.S. EPR™ Human Factors Training Development Implementation Plan" and 51-9063666-001, "SRP Chapter 18 Compliance Document" and referred to herein as "Documents." Information contained in these Documents 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. These Documents contain 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 these Documents as proprietary and confidential.
- 5. These Documents have been made available to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission in confidence with the request that the information contained in these Documents

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be withheld from public disclosure. The request for withholding of proprietary information is made in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390. The information for which withholding from disclosure is requested qualifies under 10 CFR 2.390(a)(4) "Trade secrets and commercial or financial information."

- 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.

The information in these Documents is considered proprietary for the reasons set forth in paragraphs 6(b) above.

7. In accordance with AREVA NP's policies governing the protection and control of information, proprietary information contained in these Documents 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.

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