

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

June 27, 2011

Mr. Preston Gillespie Vice President, Oconee Site Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC 7800 Rochester Highway Seneca, SC 29672

SUBJECT: OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION, UNITS 1, 2, AND 3 - REQUEST FOR

WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE REGARDING INSTALLATION OF FIBER-REINFORCED POLYMER ON MASONRY BRICK WALLS FOR THE MITIGATION OF DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE CREATED BY

HIGH WINDS (TAC NOS. ME1710, ME1711, AND ME1712)

Dear Mr. Gillespie:

By letter dated June 29, 2009, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, submitted an affidavit dated June 29, 2009, executed by Mr. Dave Baxter, the Oconee Nuclear Station Site Vice President at the time of the June 29, 2009, letter, requesting that the information contained in Enclosure 6 of the June 29, 2009, letter be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 2, Section 2.390:

The affidavit indicated that the submitted information should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure for the following reasons:

- (a) 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.
- (b) The information reveals certain distinguishing aspects of a process, methodology, or component, the exclusive use of which provides a competitive advantage for Fyfe Company, LLC in product optimization or marketability.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 and, on the basis of the statements in the affidavits, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure.

Therefore, the aforementioned documents 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 Nuclear Regulatory Commission (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 301-415-1345.

Sincerely,

John F. Stang, Senior Project Manager

Plant Licensing Branch II-1

Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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