

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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June 5, 2012

Mr. Matthew W. Sunseri President and Chief Executive Officer Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation Post Office Box 411 Burlington, KS 66839

SUBJECT:

WOLF CREEK GENERATING STATION - REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING

INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE (TAC NO. ME8350)

Dear Mr. Sunseri:

By letter dated March 29, 2012 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML12102A080), Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation (WCNOC, the licensee) submitted an affidavit dated February 22, 2012, executed by J. A. Gresham, Manager, Regulatory Compliance, Westinghouse Electric Company LLC (Westinghouse), requesting that information designated proprietary in the following document be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 2, Section 2.390:

Westinghouse Electric Company LLC, LTR-SGMMP-11-28 Rev. 1, P-Attachment, "Response to USNRC Request for Additional Information Regarding the License Amendment Requests for Permanent Application of the Alternate Repair Criterion, H\*, to the Model D5 and Model F SGs" (Proprietary)

The proprietary version of the document and the Westinghouse affidavit are included as Enclosures I and III, respectively, to the letter dated March 29, 2012.

A non-proprietary version of the document, included as Enclosure II to the March 29, 2012, letter, has been placed in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Public Document Room and added to the NRC Library in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System.

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

- (a) The information reveals the distinguishing aspects of a process (or component, structure, tool, method, etc.) where prevention of its use by any of Westinghouse's competitors without license from Westinghouse constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies.
- (b) Its use by a competitor would reduce his expenditure of resources or improve his competitive position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing a similar product.
- (c) It reveals aspects of past, present, or future Westinghouse or customer funded development plans and programs of potential commercial value to Westinghouse.

We have reviewed your application and material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 and, on the basis of the statements in the affidavit, have determined that the information sought to be withheld in the two submittals, when the two submittals are considered together, 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) 415-4032.

Sincerely,

James R. Hall, Senior Project Manager

Plant Licensing Branch IV

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cc: J. A. Gresham, Manager Regulatory Compliance Westinghouse Electric Company LLC 1000 Westinghouse Drive, Suite 428 Cranberry Township, PA 16066

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