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SUBJECT: BOILING WATER REACTOR OWNER'S GROUP (BWROG) REQUEST FOR
WITHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Dear Mr. Schiffley:

By letter dated October 24, 2012, you submitted an affidavit, dated October 24, 2012, executed by yourself, requesting that the information contained in the following six documents, existing as attachments 2-7 to your letter, be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 2, Section 2.390:

Attachment 2: Task 1 – CFD Report and Combined NPSHr Uncertainty for Monticello RHR CVDS Pump

Attachment 3: Task 2 – Equation for Pump Speed Correction (CVDS Pump)

Attachment 4: Task 3 – Pump Operation at Reduced NPSHa Conditions (CVDS Pump)

Attachment 5: Task 4 – Operation in the Maximum Erosion Rate Zone (CVDS Pump)

Attachment 6: Task 5 – Effects of Non-Condensable Gases on Seals (CVDS Pump)

Attachment 7: Task 6 – NPSHr Test Instrument Inaccuracy Effect on Published Results (CVDS Pump)

A nonproprietary copy of these documents have been placed in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Public Document Room and added to the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Electronic Library.

The affidavit stated that the submitted information should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure because it is:

- a. Information that discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by BWROG's competitors without license from BWROG constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies;
- b. Information which, if used by a competitor, would reduce his expenditure of resources or improve their competitive position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing of a similar product.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 and, on the basis of your statements, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld 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 301-415-1002.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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