



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

March 25, 2013

Mr. Michael J. Pacilio  
President and Chief Nuclear Officer  
Exelon Nuclear  
4300 Winfield Road  
Warrenville, IL 60555

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE  
LASALLE COUNTY STATION, UNIT 2, LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST  
REGARDING THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CHANGE FOR MINIMUM  
CRITICAL POWER RATIO SAFETY LIMIT (TAC NO. ME9769)

Dear Mr. Pacilio:

By letters to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) dated October 11, 2012, January 17, 2013, and February 20, 2013 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession Nos. ML12285A387, ML13018A228, and ML130510727, respectively), Exelon Generation Company, LLC submitted the following affidavits:

- October 4, 2012, executed by Atual A. Karve, Engineering Manager, Methods, Global Nuclear Fuel-America's (GNF-A), LLC
- January 16, 2013, executed by Lukas Trosman, Engineering Manager, Reload Design and Analysis, GNF-A
- February 16, 2013, executed by Lukas Trosman, Engineering Manager, Reload Design and Analysis, GNF-A

The affidavits requested that information designated as proprietary in the following documents be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to paragraph (a)(4) of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 2, Section 2.390:

- Enclosure 1 of GNF's letter, CFL-EXN-HA2-12-124-R1, "GNF Additional Information for SLMCPR Technical Specification Submittal Letter for LaSalle Unit 2 Cycle 15"
- Enclosure 3 of GNF's letter, CFL-EXN-HA2-12-124-R1, "Supplemental LaSalle Unit 1 RAI Responses Applied to LaSalle Unit 2 Cycle 15"
- Enclosure 1 of GNF letter, CFL-EXN-HA2-13-003-R1, "GNF Response to NRC RAIs for LaSalle Unit 2 Cycle SLMCPR Submittal"
- Enclosure 1 of GNF letter, CFL-EXN-HA2-13-022, "GNF Response to NRC Supplemental RAIs for LaSalle Unit 2 Cycle SLMCPR Submittal"

A non-proprietary copy of these documents has been placed in the NRC's Public Document room and added to the NRC ADAMS Library. The non-proprietary copies are contained in Attachments 7 and 8 of letter dated October 11, 2012, Attachment 2 of letter dated January 17, 2013, and, Attachment 3 of letter dated February 20, 2013.

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

- a. Information that discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by GNF-A's competitors without license from GNF-A constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies;
- b. Information which, if used 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 of a similar product.

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

Therefore, the information marked as proprietary will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR Section 2.390 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 301-415-1115.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicholas J. DiFrancesco". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Nicholas J. DiFrancesco, Project Manager  
Plant Licensing Branch III-2  
Division of Operating Reactor Licensing  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-374:

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**\*via e-mail on 3/5/13**

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