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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE  
OF ELECTRIC POWER RESEARCH INSTITUTE TOPICAL REPORT  
BWRVIP-266, "BWR [BOILING WATER REACTOR] VESSEL AND INTERNALS  
PROJECT BWR VESSEL AND INTERNALS PROJECT"

Dear Mr. Hanley:

By letter dated November 26, 2014 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML14343A111), the Boiling Water Reactor (BWR) Vessel and Internals Project (BWRVIP) submitted an affidavit executed by Mr. Neil Wilmshurst, Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer, Electric Power Research Institute, on November 21, 2014, requesting that the information contained 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:

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INTERNALS PROJECT."

A nonproprietary copy of this document has been placed in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) Public Document Room and added to the NRC Library in ADAMS as Accession No. ML14343A112).

The reasons for requesting withholding of the report are provided in the affidavit.

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 affidavit, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure.

Therefore, the version(s) 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.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, I may be reached at 301-415-7297 or by electronic mail at [Joseph.Holonich@nrc.gov](mailto:Joseph.Holonich@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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