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February 2, 2015

Mr. Thomas Joyce
President and Chief Nuclear Officer
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P.O. Box 236
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE
FOR HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION (TAC NO. MF5496)

Dear Mr. Joyce:

By letter dated January 21, 2015, Mr. Paul R. Duke, Jr. submitted an affidavit dated January 21, 2015, executed by James F. Harrison of GE-Hitachi Nuclear Energy Americas LLC (GEH), 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:

Proprietary presentation material for closed PSEG PRNM [power range neutron monitor] Pre-Application (Phase 0) Meeting (Proprietary)

The letter and a nonproprietary version of this document have been made publicly available in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) and can be found at ADAMS Accession No. ML15021A500.

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

- (4)a. Information that discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by GEH's competitors without license from GEH constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies;
- (4)b. Information that, if used by a competitor, would reduce their 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 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 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.

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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 301-415-1603.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carleen Parker", written over a horizontal line.

Carleen Parker, Project Manager
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Division of Operating Reactor Licensing
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-354

cc: Mr. James F. Harrison
Vice President, Fuel Licensing
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