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Publication of EMF-92-116PA, Revision 0, Supplement 1PA, Revision 0, "Generic Mechanical design Criteria for PWR Fuel Designs"

Ref. 1: Letter, Aby S. Mohseni (NRC) to Pedro Salas (AREVA Inc.), "Final Safety Evaluation by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation for Topical Report EMF-92-116(P)(A), Revision 0, Supplement 1, Revision 0, 'Generic Mechanical Design Criteria for PWR Fuel Designs,' (TAC No. ME7962)," February 20, 2015.

In Reference 1, the NRC accepted topical report EMF-92-116(P)(A), Revision 0, Supplement 1, Revision 0, "Generic Mechanical Design Criteria for PWR Fuel Designs" for referencing in license applications. The NRC requested that AREVA Inc. (AREVA) publish a proprietary and non-proprietary version of the report.

Proprietary and non-proprietary versions of the report are enclosed. The published report is constructed in accordance with guidance provided on the NRC website. As required by 10 CFR 2.390(b) an affidavit is enclosed to support the withholding of the proprietary version of the report from public disclosure.

If you have any questions related to this submittal, please contact Mr. Morris Byram, Licensing Manager, by telephone at 434-832-4665, or by e-mail at Morris.Byram@areva.com.

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pedro Salas', is written over a horizontal line.

Pedro Salas, Director
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cc: J. G. Rowley
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Enclosures

1. EMF-92-116(P)(A), Revision 0, Supplement 1(P)(A), Revision 0, "Generic Mechanical Design Criteria for PWR Fuel Designs."
2. EMF-92-116(NP)(A), Revision 0, Supplement 1(NP)(A), Revision 0, "Generic Mechanical Design Criteria for PWR Fuel Designs."
3. Notarized Affidavit.

AFFIDAVIT

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA)
) ss.
CITY OF LYNCHBURG)

1. My name is Gayle Elliott. I am Manager, Product Licensing, for AREVA Inc. (AREVA) and as such I am authorized to execute this Affidavit.

2. I am familiar with the criteria applied by AREVA to determine whether certain AREVA information is proprietary. I am familiar with the policies established by AREVA to ensure the proper application of these criteria.

3. I am familiar with the AREVA information contained in the following document: "EMF-92-116(P)(A), Revision 0, Supplement 1(P)(A), Revision 0, 'Generic Mechanical Design Criteria for PWR Fuel Designs'," referred to herein as "Document." Information contained in this Document has been classified by AREVA as proprietary in accordance with the policies established by AREVA Inc. for the control and protection of proprietary and confidential information.

4. This Document contains information of a proprietary and confidential nature and is of the type customarily held in confidence by AREVA and not made available to the public. Based on my experience, I am aware that other companies regard information of the kind contained in this Document as proprietary and confidential.

5. This Document has been made available to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission in confidence with the request that the information contained in this Document be withheld from public disclosure. The request for withholding of proprietary information is made in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390. The information for which withholding from disclosure is

requested qualifies under 10 CFR 2.390(a)(4) "Trade secrets and commercial or financial information."

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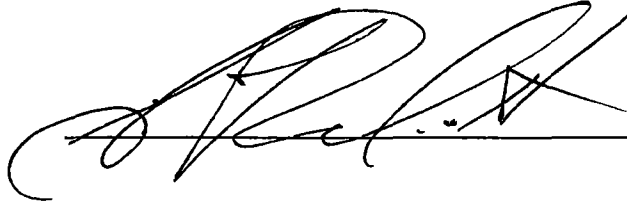
- (a) The information reveals details of AREVA's research and development plans and programs or their results.
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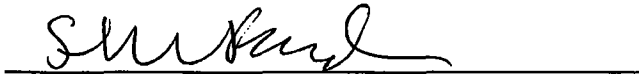
7. In accordance with AREVA's policies governing the protection and control of information, proprietary information contained in this Document has been made available, on a limited basis, to others outside AREVA only as required and under suitable agreement providing for nondisclosure and limited use of the information.

8. AREVA policy requires that proprietary information be kept in a secured file or area and distributed on a need-to-know basis.

9. The foregoing statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

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SUBSCRIBED before me this 20th
day of May, 2015.

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Sherry L. McFaden
NOTARY PUBLIC, COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
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