

December 19, 2016

Jack Stringfellow, Chairman
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Program Management Office
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SUBJECT: OCTOBER 25, 2016, RESPONSE TO "NRC ACCEPTANCE REVIEW OF PWROG-15060, "PUMP SUCTION GAS ACCUMULATION OPERABILITY CRITERIA GUIDANCE," (TAC NO. MF8705)

Dear Mr. Stingfellow:

By letter dated October 25, 2016 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML16313A537), the Pressurized Water Reactor Owner's Group provided, as an enclosure, a letter dated October 10, 2016, from James Gresham, Westinghouse Electric Company that transmitted an affidavit also dated October 10, 2016, executed by Terry G. Rudek, Vice President, Systems and Components Engineering, WEC. The affidavit requested 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 (10 CFR 2.390).

LTR-SEE-16-156, "Proprietary RAI [Request for Additional Information] Responses for NRC Acceptance Review of PWROG-15060-P" (Proprietary).

A nonproprietary copy of the information was not submitted. Although 10 CFR 2.390 does not require a nonproprietary version of documents be submitted, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff encourages such versions. Having a nonproprietary version of information available helps the NRC meet its Excellence Objective of timely dispersal of information to stakeholders. Please consider submitting a nonproprietary version of reports in the future.

The detailed reasons for withholding the information 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.

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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 301-415-7297 or joseph.holonich@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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