December 20, 2016

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF ELECTRIC POWER RESEARCH INSTITUTE TOPICAL REPORT, "BWRVIP-25, REVISION 1: BWR VESSEL AND INTERNALS PROJECT, BWR CORE PLATE INSPECTION AND FLAW EVALUATION GUIDELINES" (TAC NO. MF8414)

Dear Mr. Hanley:

By letter dated September 26, 2016 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML16273A474), the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) provided a September 12, 2016, letter with an affidavit executed by Mr. Neil Wilmshurst also dated September 12, 2016. 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:

"BWRVIP-25, Revision 1: BWR Vessel and Internals Project, BWR Core Plate Inspection and Flaw Evaluation Guidelines"

A nonproprietary copy of this document has been placed in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Public Document Room and added to the NRC Library in ADAMS as Accession No. ML16273A475.

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.

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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 can be reached at 301-415-7297 or by electronic mail at <u>Joseph.Holonich@nrc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

/Jonathan Rowley for RA/

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