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UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

March 11, 1996

Mr. B. Ralph Sylvia  
Executive Vice President, Nuclear  
Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation  
Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station  
P.O. Box 63  
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE - NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION UNIT NO. 1 (TAC NO. M89792)

Dear Mr. Sylvia:

By your application dated January 31, 1996, and affidavits dated January 26, 1996, by David J. Robare of General Electric (GE) Company, you submitted "GE Nozzle Modeling for the Assessment of U7 Examination Techniques," GENE-A00-05452-1 dated January 1, 1996, and "GERIS 2000 Ultrasonic Inspection of Feedwater Nozzles," GENE-A00-05452-2 dated January 1, 1996, and requested that it be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790.

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

1. Information that discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by General Electric's competitors without license from General Electric constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies;
2. Information which, if used by a competitor, would reduce his expenditure of resources or improve his competitive position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing of a similar product;
3. The information identified, above, is classified as proprietary because it contains detailed results of analytical models, methods and processes, which GE has developed, for the examination of Feedwater Nozzles.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.790 and, on the basis of your statements, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information.

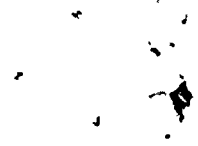
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Therefore, the version of the submitted information marked as proprietary will be withheld from the public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(b)(5) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended

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.

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.

Sincerely,  
ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

Darl S. Hood, Senior Project Manager  
Project Directorate I-1  
Division of Reactor Projects - I/II  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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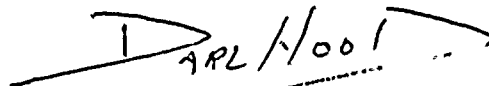
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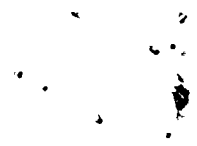
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