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May 20, 1998

Mr. Richard B. Abbott
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P.O. Box 63
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE
NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT NO. 1

Dear Mr. Abbott:

By your application dated April 16, 1998, and affidavit dated March 23, 1998, executed by George B. Stramback of General Electric (GE), you submitted GE-NE 523-B13-01869-113KKM, "Summary of KernKraftwerk Muehleberg Shroud Sample Metallurgical Evaluation" dated March 1998 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, is classified as proprietary because it contains detailed plant unique results of analytical models, methods and processes, including computer codes, which GE has developed and applied to perform evaluations of indications in the core shroud for the BWR.

The development and approval of the BWR Shroud Repair Program was achieved at a significant cost, on the order of one million dollars, to GE.

The development of the evaluation process contained in the document along with the interpretation and application of the analytical results is derived from the extensive experience database that constitutes a major GE asset.

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.

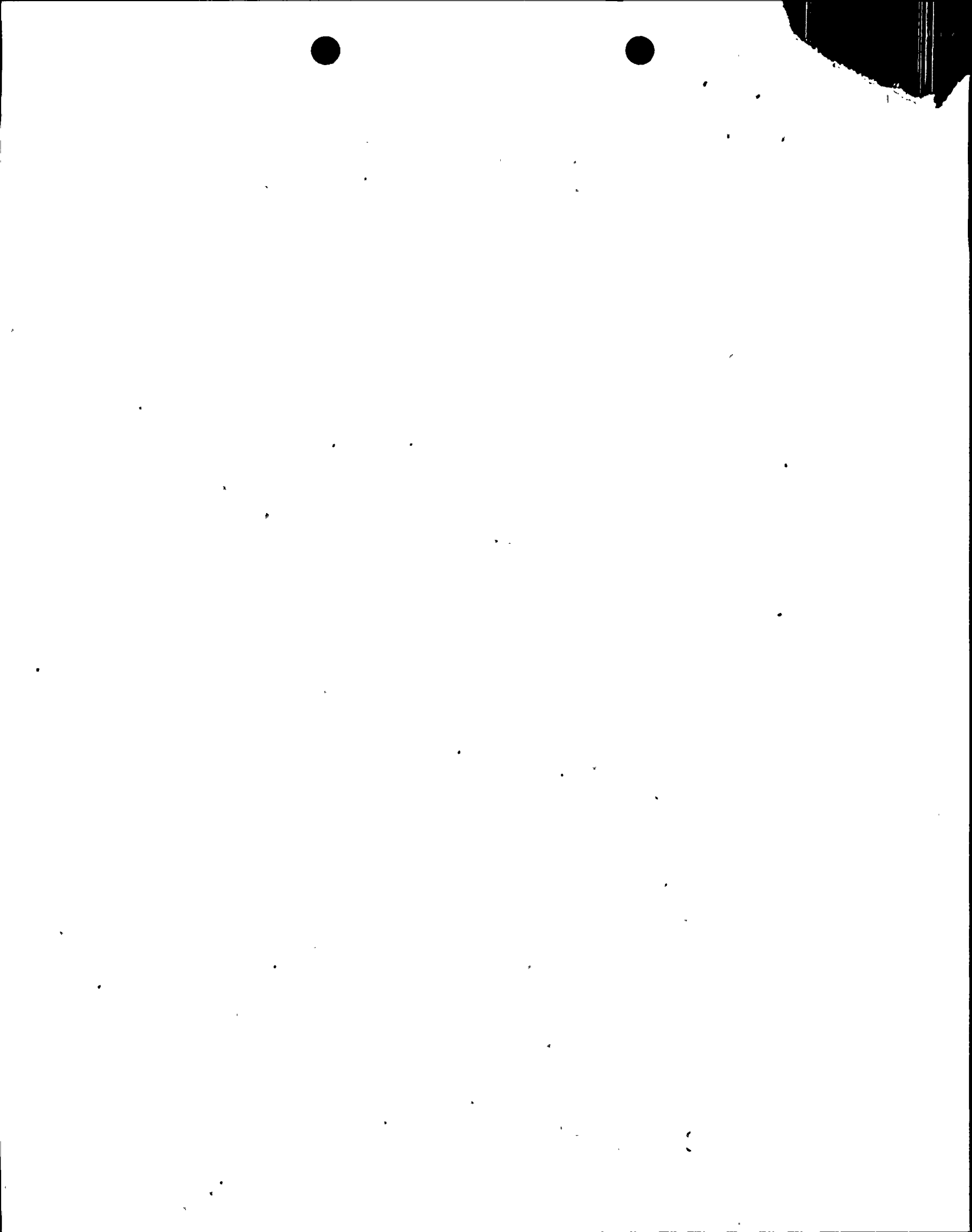
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Withholding from public inspection shall not affect the right, if any, of persons properly and directly concerned to inspect the documents. If the need arises, we may send copies of this information to our consultants working in this area. We will, 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
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1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and activities. It emphasizes the need for transparency and accountability in all financial dealings.

2. The second part of the document outlines the various methods and techniques used to collect and analyze data. It highlights the importance of using reliable sources and ensuring the accuracy of the information gathered.

3. The third part of the document focuses on the interpretation and analysis of the collected data. It discusses the various statistical methods and models used to identify trends and patterns in the data.

4. The fourth part of the document provides a detailed overview of the results of the analysis. It includes a comprehensive summary of the findings and a discussion of their implications for the organization.

5. The final part of the document offers recommendations and suggestions for future research and action. It emphasizes the need for continuous monitoring and evaluation of the organization's performance and the importance of adapting to changing circumstances.

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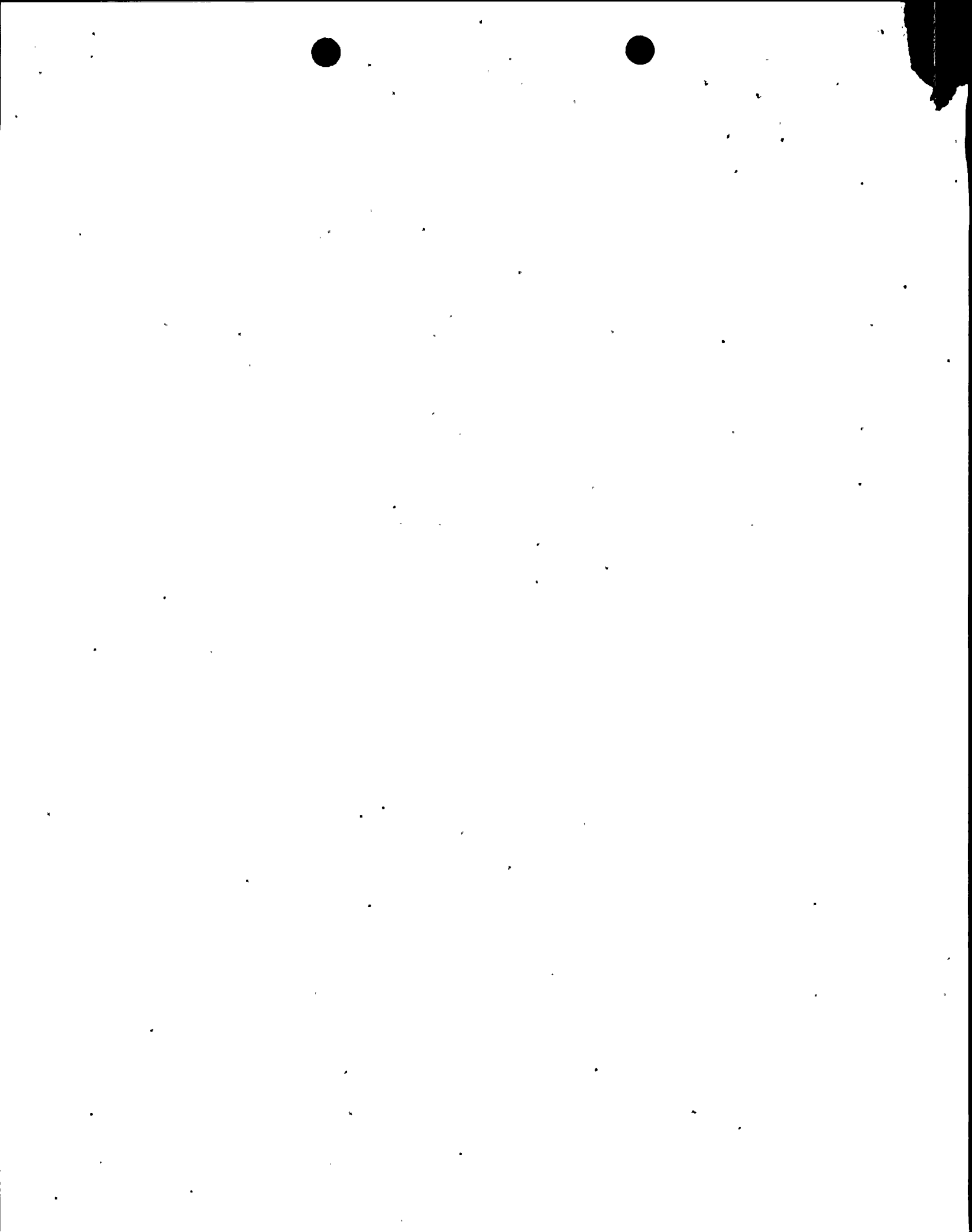
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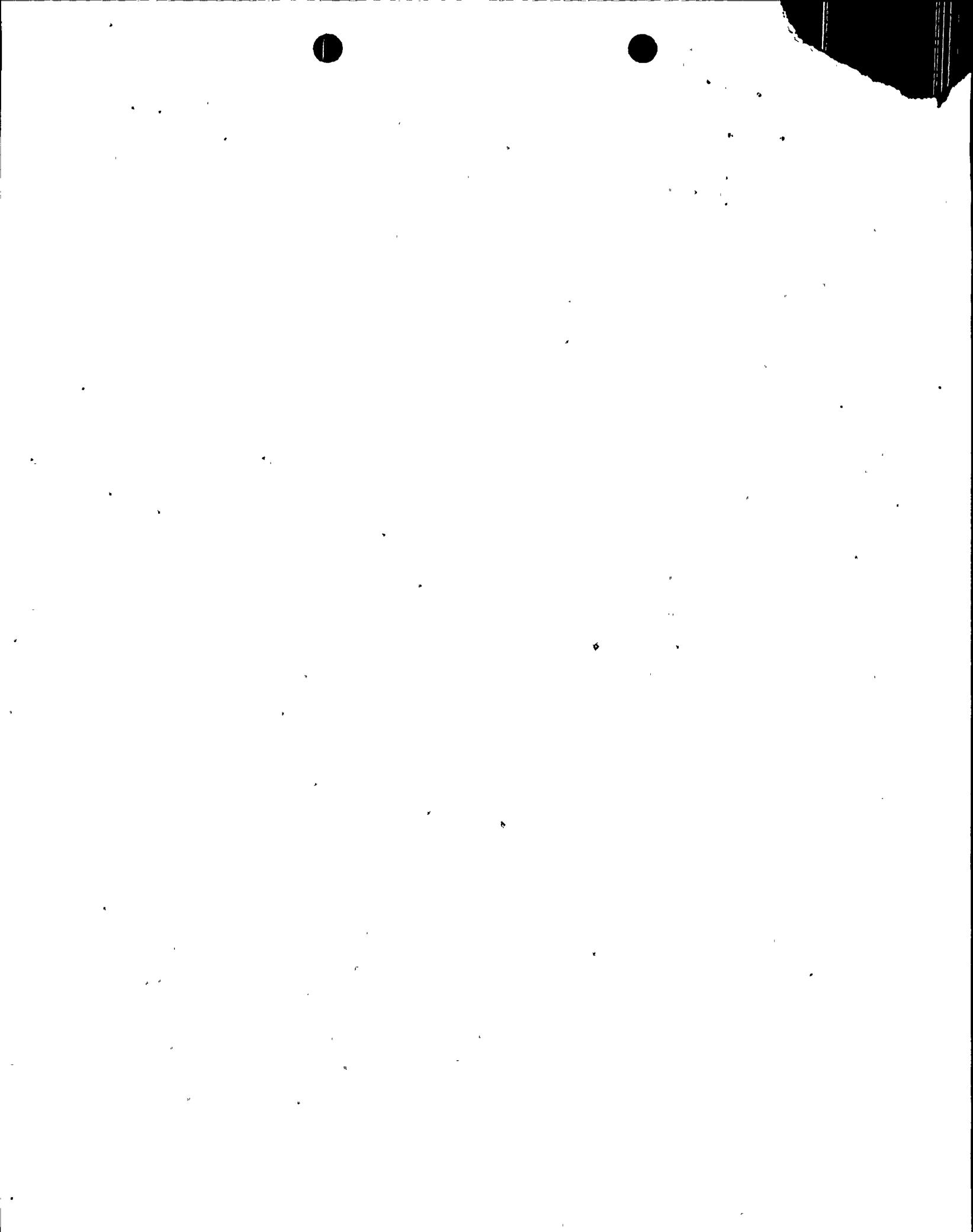
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