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May 22, 2017

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SUBJECT: WOLF CREEK GENERATING STATION – REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING  
INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE (CAC NO. MF9307)

Dear Mr. Heflin:

By letter dated January 17, 2017 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML17054C103), Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation (the licensee) submitted an affidavit dated November 14, 2016 (CAW-16-4500), to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), executed by Mr. James A. Gresham, Manager, Regulatory Compliance, Westinghouse Electric Company LLC (Westinghouse), requesting that the information contained in the following document (Enclosure VI to the letter dated January 17, 2017) be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 2, Section 2.390:

- Responses to NRC RAIs [Request for Additional Information] on August 2013 Methodology Transition LAR [License Amendment Request] Submittal

A nonproprietary version of the document designated as Enclosure VII to the letter dated January 17, 2017, has been placed in the NRC's Public Document Room and added to the NRC Library at ADAMS Accession No. ML17054C229.

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

- (a) The information reveals the distinguishing aspects of a process (or component, structure, tool, method, etc.) where prevention of its use by any of Westinghouse's competitors without license from Westinghouse constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies.
- (c) Its use by a competitor would reduce his expenditure of resources or improve his competitor position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing a similar product.

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.

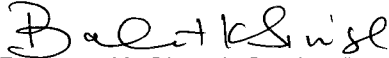
Therefore, the version of the submitted information marked as proprietary will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(b)(5) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

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.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 301-415-3016 or via e-mail at [Balwant.Singal@nrc.gov](mailto:Balwant.Singal@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

  
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Docket No. 50-482

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