

September 6, 2017

Mr. W. Anthony Nowinowski, Program Manager  
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING PWROG-14048-P, REVISION 1,  
"FUNCTIONALITY ANALYSIS: LOWER SUPPORT COLUMNS," FROM  
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Dear Mr. Nowinowski:

By letter dated March 1, 2017 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML17066A266), the Pressurized Water Reactor Owners Group submitted PWROG-14048-P, Revision 1, "Functionality Analysis: Lower Support Columns" to the NRC [Nuclear Regulatory Commission] for Information Only (PA-MS-1103)." The letter also submitted a February 22, 2017, affidavit executed by Mr. James A. Gresham, Manager, Regulatory Compliance, Westinghouse Electric Company.

The affidavit requested that the information contained in PWROG-14048, Revision 1, be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 2.390. It also detailed the reasons for withholding the information.

A non-proprietary copy of the report was not submitted.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390. Based on the statements in the affidavit, the NRC staff has determined that the submitted information sought contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure.

Therefore, PWROG-14048, Revision 1 will be withheld from public disclosure under 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, the agency may send copies of this information to its consultants working in this area. The NRC staff 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 staff.

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You also should understand that the NRC staff 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 via e-mail at [Joseph.Holonich@nrc.gov](mailto:Joseph.Holonich@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

**/RA/**

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