

September 21, 2017

Mr. Tim Hanley
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SUBJECT: PROPRIETARY DETERMINATION OF REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING OF
BOILING WATER REACTOR VESSEL AND INTERNAL PROJECT
PROPRIETARY PRESENTATION INFORMATION FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2017
(CAC NO. MG0147)

Dear Mr. Hanley:

By letter dated August 24, 2017 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML17240A172), the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) submitted a letter and an affidavit both also dated August 24, 2017, by Steven Swilley, Senior Director and Deputy Chief Nuclear Officer. The letter and affidavit requested that the information contained in two presentations marked as proprietary be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 2, Section 2.390.

The reasons withholding the information were detailed in the affidavit.

A nonproprietary copy of the presentations has been placed in the NRC Public Document Room and added to the NRC Library in ADAMS under Package Accession No.: ML17240A155.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and the statements in your affidavit, as well as the material, in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Section 2.390, and has 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 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.

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 staff 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.

Sincerely,

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