

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001 May 20, 1998

Mr. James M. Levine Senior Vice President, Nuclear Arizona Public Service Company Post Office Box 53999 Phoenix, Arizona 85072-3999

SUBJECT: PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION - REQUEST FOR

WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Dear Mr. Levine:

By letter dated February 20, 1998, Arizona Public Service Company (APS) submitted revisions to the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Unit Nos. 1, 2, and 3 Emergency Plan Implementing Procedures (EPIP). Revised EPIPs 16DP-0EP15, Rev. 7 and 16DP-0EP14, Rev. 4 are identified by APS as containing privacy information (i.e., home phone numbers). APS marked the privacy information in the submittal and requested it be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations.

We have reviewed APS's request based on the requirements and criteria of 10 CFR 2.790, and have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains privacy information. Therefore, the privacy information so identified by APS will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(a)(6) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

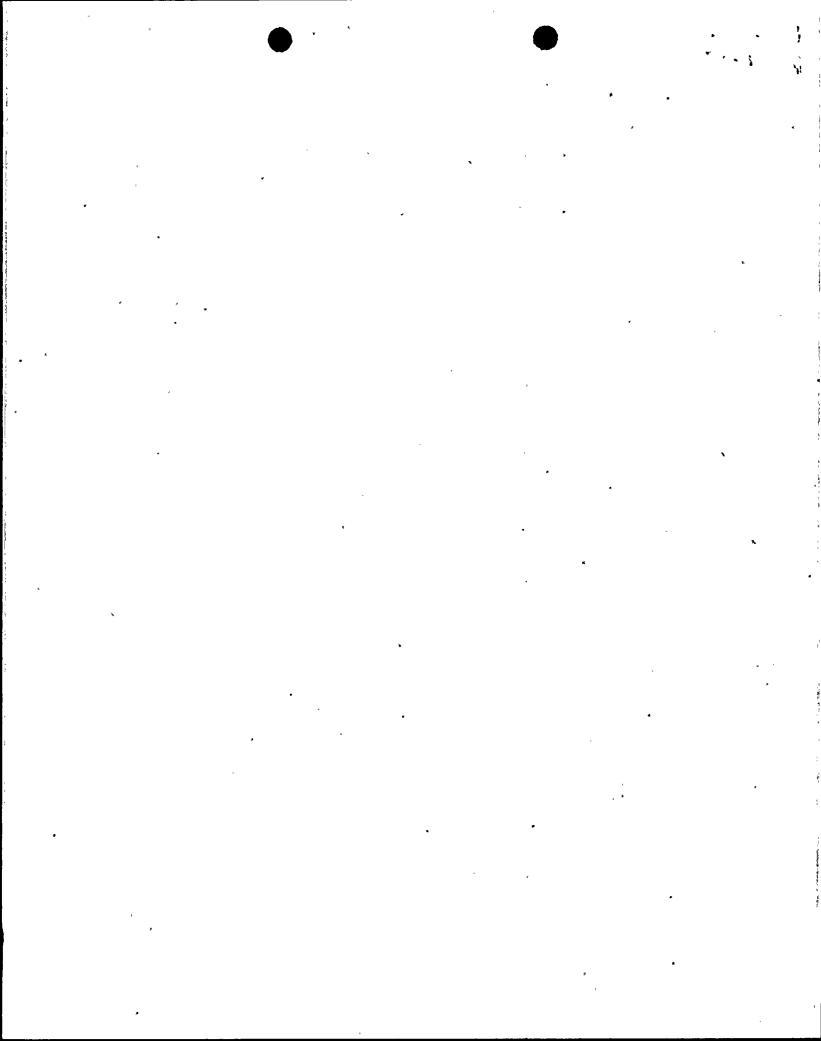
Withholding information from public disclosure shall not affect the right, if any, of persons properly and directly concerned to inspect the documents. If the need arises, we may send copies of the information to our consultants working in this area. We will, of course, ensure that the consultants have 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 should also understand that the NRC may have cause to review this determination in the future, such as, if the scope of a Freedom of Information Act request

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includes your information. If the NRC determines that the information should be made publicly available as a result of future review, you will be notified in advance of any public disclosure.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

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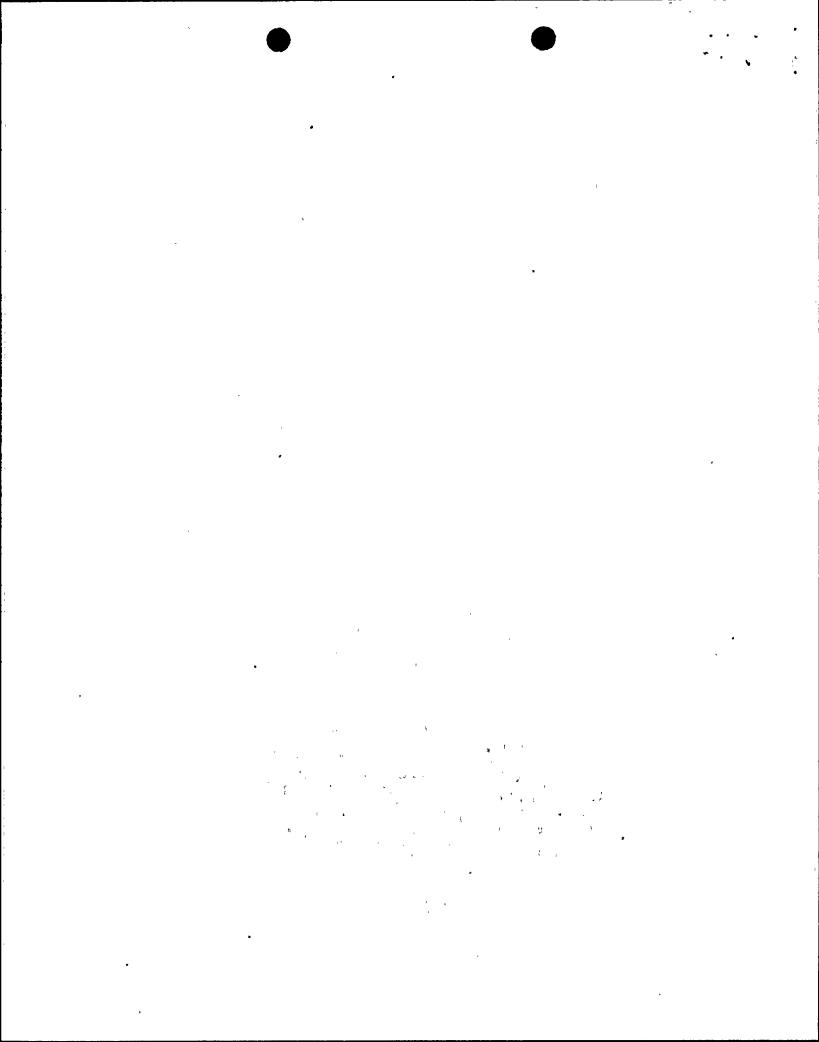
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