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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555  
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Mr. Thomas B. Cochran  
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1725 I Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20006

IN RESPONSE REFER  
TO FOIA-78-49

Dear Mr. Cochran:

This is in further response to your letter dated February 21, 1978, in which you requested, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the Comprehensive Evaluation Report (CER) at United Nuclear Corporation's plant in Wood River Junction, Rhode Island and comprehensive reports covering three other facilities evaluated during 1977 as reported in Enclosure D of the December 23, 1977 Weekly Information Report.

As stated in Mr. Daniel J. Donoghue's letter dated March 20, 1978, the CER for United Nuclear Corporation's plant was undergoing a declassification review. This review has now been completed.

This document contains Restricted Data, National Security Information, and information which identifies procedures for safeguarding licensed special nuclear material or detailed security measures for the physical protection of a licensed facility or plant. The statutory authority for withholding Restricted Data is found in Sections 141 through 145 of the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 2161-2165). Similarly, Executive Order 12065 prohibits the unauthorized disclosure of National Security Information. Certain other information is considered commercial or proprietary information pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(d). Portions of this report are being withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Exemptions (1), (3) and (4) of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(1), (3) and (4)) and 10 CFR 9.5(a)(1), (3) and (4) of the Commission's regulations. The non-exempt portions of this document are being placed in the NRC Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 9.9 of the Commission's regulations, it has been determined that the information withheld is exempt from production or disclosure, and that its production or disclosure is contrary to the public interest. The persons responsible for this denial are the undersigned, Mr. Raymond J. Brady, Director, Division of Security and Mr. William J. Dircks, Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

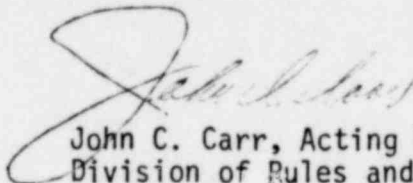
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This denial may be appealed to the Commission's Executive Director for Operations within 30 days from the receipt of this letter. As provided in 10 CFR 9.11, any such appeal must be in writing, addressed to the Executive Director for Operations, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, and should clearly state on the envelope and in the letter that it is an "Appeal from an Initial FOIA Decision."

This completes action on your request.

Sincerely,



John C. Carr, Acting Director  
Division of Rules and Records  
Office of Administration

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