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August 5, 1980

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Attn: Mr. Robert A. Clark, Chief

Operating Reactors Branch #3 Division of Licensing

Subject:

Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant

Unit 1 Docket No. 50-317 Power Distribution Episode

Gentlemen:

Mr. E. L. Connor of your staff requested a report of the recent power distribution episode on Calvert Cliffs Unit 1. Enclosures (1) and (2) are proprietary and non-proprietary versions respectively of that report.

Enclosure (3) to this letter is an affidavit from Combustion Engineering, Inc. requesting that information in Enclosure (1) be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with 10 CFR 2.790. PAOI

Very truly yours,

A. E. Lundvall, Jr.

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Enclosures: (1) Calvert Cliffs Unit 1, Cycle 4, Report of Power Distribution Episode, June, 1980 (Proprietary) Copies 1-30

(2) Calvert Cliffs Unit 1, Cycle 4, Report of Power Distribution Episode, June 1980 (Non-Proprietary) 5 Copies

(3) Proprietary Affidavit

AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO 10 CFR 2.790

Combustion Engineering, Inc.)
State of Connecticut)
County of Hartford) SS.:

I, A. E. Scherer depose and say that I am the Director, Nuclear Licensing of Combustion Engineering, Inc., duly authorized to make this affidavit, and have reviewed or caused to have reviewed the information which is identified as proprietary and referenced in the paragraph immediately below. I am submitting this affidavit in conformance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations and in conjunction with the application of Baltimore Gas and Electric Co., for withholding this information.

The information for which proprietary treatment is sought is contained in the following document:

Calvert Cliffs I - Power Distribution Episode

This document has been appropriately designated as proprietary.

I have personal knowledge of the criteria and procedures utilized by Combustion Engineering in designating information as a trade secret, privileged or as confidential commercial or financial information.

Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (b) (4) of Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, the following is furnished for consideration by the Commission in determining whether the information sought to be withheld from public disclosure, included in the above referenced document, should be withheld.

 The information sought to be withheld from public disclosure are analyses and computer and analytical models for the assessment of the -2-

effects of core chemistry on crud and the resulting influences on core physics, which is owned and has been held in confidence by Combustion Engineering.

- 2. The information consists of test data or other similar data concerning a process, method or component, the application of which results in a substantial competitive advantage to Combustion Engineering.
- 3. The information is of a type customarily held in confidence by Combustion Engineering and not customarily disclosed to the public.

 Combustion Engineering has a rational basis for determining the types of information customarily held in confidence by it and, in that connection, utilizes a system to determine when and whether to hold certain types of information in confidence. The details of the aforementioned system were provided to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission via letter DP-537 from F.M. Stern to Frank Schroeder dated December 2, 1974. This system was applied in determining that the subject documents herein are proprietary.
- 4. The information is being transmitted to the Commission in confidence under the provisions of 10 CFR 2.790 with the understanding that it is to be received in confidence by the Commission.
- 5. The information, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is not available in public sources, and any disclosure to third parties has been made pursuant to regulatory provisions or proprietary agreements which provide for maintenance of the information in confidence.
- 6. Public disclosure of the information is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of Combustion Engineering because:
- a. A similar product is manufactured and sold by major pressurized water reactors competitors of Combustion Engineering.
 - b. Development of this information by C-E required thousands of

man-hours of effort and hundreds of thousands of dollars. To the best of my knowledge and belief a competitor would have to undergo similar expense in generating equivalent information.

- c. In order to acquire such information, a competitor would also require considerable time and inconvenience related to the development of analytical tools for assessing core chemistry effects on crud and the resulting physics perturbations.
- d. The information required significant effort and expense to obtain the licensing approvals necessary for application of the information. Avoidance of this expense would decrease a competitor's cost in applying the information and marketing the product to which the information is applicable.
- e. The information consists of analyses and computer and analytical models for the assessment of the effects of core chemistry on crud and the resulting influences on core physics, the application of which provides a competitive economic advantage. The availability of such information to competitors would enable them to modify their product to better compete with Combustion Engineering, take marketing or other actions to improve their product's position or impair the position of Combustion Engineering's product, and avoid developing similar data and analyses in support of their processes, methods or apparatus.
- f. In pricing Combustion Engineering's products and services, significant research, development, engineering, analytical, manufacturing, licensing, quality assurance and other costs and expenses must be included. The ability of Combustion Engineering's competitors to utilize such information without similar expenditure of resources may enable them to sell at prices reflecting significantly lower costs.

g. Use of the information by competitors in the international marketplace would increase their ability to market nuclear steam supply systems by reducing the costs associated with their technology development. In addition, disclosure would have an adverse economic impact on Combustion Engineering's potential for obtaining or maintaining foreign licensees.

Further the deponent sayeth not.

A. E. Scherer

Director

Nuclear Licensing

Sworn to before me

this 24th day of Jun. 1980

LISA G. WAICUNAS, NOTARY PUBLIC

State of Connecticut No. 54492

Commission Expires March 31, 1983