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Docket No. 50-245/213 LS05-81-06-076

Mr. W. G. Counsil, Vice President Nuclear Engineering and Operations Northeast Nuclear Energy Company Post Office Box 270 Hartford, Connecticut 06101



Dear Mr. Counsil:

SUBJECT: WITHHOLDING FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE REPORT NO. CBO-N-79-064 (HADDAM NECK AND MILLSTONE 1)

By letter dated April 5, 1979, you submitted Carborundum Company Test Program Report No. CBO-M-79-064, which supplements the information contained in CBO-M-78-299, transmitted to the NRC by your letter dated November 3, 1978. You requested that this report be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(b). The withholding request is supported by an affidavit noto-rized April 2, 1979, by Mr. Robert G. Naum, Manager Nuclear Business Unit, The Carborundum Company. A nonproprietary version of the subject report was also transmitted.

The report contains documentation of the fourth test for the 84° C requalification program pertaining to the spent fuel racks at the bandam Neck Plant and Millstone Station Unit 1.

Carborundum states in its affidavit that the information sought to be withheld is the results of their using one or more proprietary manufacturing techniques, descriptions of improvements in boron carbide containing articles and the descriptions of the effects of testing such boron carbide containing articles, which is owned and have been sold in confidence by Carborundum. The affidavit also contends that the information consists of data pertaining to the manufacture, composition, testing, use and sale of boron carbide containing nuclear shielding systems, the application of which provides a competitive economic advantage for Carborundum. Moreover, the arfidavit indicated that the information is not available in public sources, and that the release of such information would cause Carborundum competitive harm.

We have reviewed the subject report based on the requirements and criteria of 10 CFR 2.790 and have determined that CBO-N-79-064 contains proprietary commercial information.

We also have found at this time that the right of the purlic to be fully apprised as to the bases for and effects of the proposed action does not outweigh the demonstrated concern for protection of Carborundum's competitive position. Accordingly, we have determined that the applicable information should be withheld from public

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We, therefore, approve the request for withholding pursuant to Section 2.790 of 10 CFR Part 2 and are withholding from public inspection as proprietary Report No. CBO-N-79-064. Withholding from public inspection shall not affect the right, if any, of persons properly and directly concerned to inspect the document.

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 or The Carborundum Company should promptly notify the NRC.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Dennis M. Crutchfield, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #5 Division of Licensing

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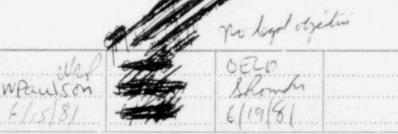
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