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University of Virginia Nuclear Reactor Facility
Department of Mechanical, Aerospace and Nuclear Engineering
University of Virginia
Charlottesville, Virginia 22903-2442

Attention: Paul Benneche

Re: Request for withholding information from public
disclosure
My Client - ProTechnics International, Inc.
d/b/a Spetratex Services

Gentlemen:

Per the request of your Paul Benneche, and at the request of my client, ProTechnics International, Inc., (the owner of the materials involved in the spill of the materials described in the affidavit of Robert U. Mulder, Director dated 31 November 1992), I have prepared an affidavit of the owner of the material which has been signed by the President of ProTechnics International, Inc., John W. Chisholm, and duly notarized.

Please take the necessary steps to submit this to the NRC with required documentation.

Your assistance in the protection of the information is appreciated. If there are any questions, please let me know.

Best wishes.


Kenneth W. Ford

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cc: My Client

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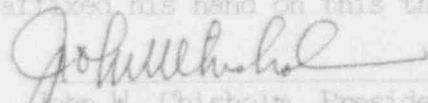
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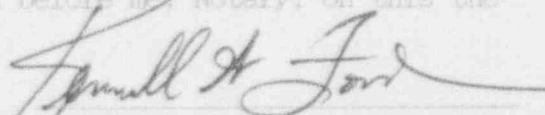
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

BE IT KNOWN, that there came and appeared before me, the undersigned Notary Public, duly qualified and commissioned in and for the State of Texas, John W. Chisholm, who, upon being duly sworn, did depose that he is the President of ProTechnics International, Inc., ("ProTechnics"), sometimes doing business as Spectratek Services; that affiant is informed that recently the University of Virginia Reactor Facility ("UVRC") found it necessary to make a report to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") in connection with a spill of solid material to the reactor pool of the UVRC. Affiant further deposed that in order to describe clearly the event and its minor significance, information about the solid material and its originator was submitted to the NRC. Affiant, under oath, stated to me that ProTechnics is the owner of the material involved in the event, that such material and the information provided in connection with it to the UVRC is strictly proprietary information of ProTechnics and constitutes trade secrets of ProTechnics. Further affiant stated, under oath, that the information about the material furnished to UVRC was submitted by ProTechnics on a confidential basis. Affiant stated further, under oath, that the information on the material furnished by its owner, ProTechnics, unto UVRC in strictest confidence, should be kept from public disclosure pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.90(b)(1); and that names of company employees with whom UVRC has had dealings should not be disclosed in accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a)(6) and 2.790(a)(7) under personal and personnel privacy provisions, such names being of no public interest. The material's composition and physical characteristics should not be publicly disclosed under the provisions of 10 CFR 2.790(a)(4) because such information was provided to the UVRC as a trade secret which gives ProTechnics a clear competitive advantage over other companies in the commercial field.

WHEREUPON, affiant has affixed his hand on this the 15th day of April, 1993.


John W. Chisholm, President
ProTechnics International, Inc.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, Notary, on this the 15th day of April, 1993.


NOTARY PUBLIC
Printed Name: Kenneth W. Ford
Commission Expires: 04/01/96

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