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Dow Chemical U.S.A.
ATTN: Stephen R. Wright
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Gentlemen:

Your letter dated March 4, 1975, transmitted a proprietary letter dated March 3 from Dr. Harmer to Mr. O'Connor and requested that this letter be withheld from public disclosure. The reason for the withholding of the material was stated to be that public disclosure would reveal key aspects of a product used exclusively by Dow Industrial Service (DIS), a division of Dow Chemical U.S.A., and its release would allow competitors to improve their competitive positions in the development of a similar product at reduced expenditures. You also indicate that the information may contain patentable inventions for which patent protection may be desirable and that the information provided in the letter is of the type that DIS customarily maintains in confidence and withholds from public disclosure. You further state that the only time DIS has made the information available to others is as a confidential disclosure under a secrecy agreement requiring the recipient to not disclose, divulge, or otherwise use the information.

From our review of the subject proprietary information, we have determined that it is of the type entitled to withholding; accordingly, we are withholding it from public inspection pursuant to Section 2.790(b) of 10 CFR Part 2. Withholding of this information from public inspection shall not affect the right, if any, of persons properly and directly concerned to inspect the document.

As the need arises, we may send copies of this information to our consultants working in this area. We will, of course, assure that the consultants have signed the appropriate agreements for handling of proprietary data.

Sincerely,

originals
Robert W. Reid acting
for Dennis L. Ziemann, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch #2
Division of Reactor Licensing

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