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Docket No. 50-317

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Dear Mr. Lundvall:

By your application and affidavit dated April 13, 1982 you submitted a report describing the high burnup performance of Combustion Engineering (CE) fuel. This report is entitled, "Extended Burnup Operation of Combustion Engineering PWR Fuel," CEN-269-P, April 1982.

Your reasons for requesting our withholding of this information were related to the protection of Combustion Engineering's competitive position concerning CE fuel.

We have reviewed your application and material based on the requirements and criteria of 10 CFR 2.790 and have determined that the above-mentioned document sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information.

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

We therefore approve your request for withholding pursuant to Section 2.790 of 10 CFR Part 2 and are withholding the above-referenced material concerning CE fuel from public inspection as proprietary.

Withholding from public inspection shall not affect the right, if any, of persons properly and directly concerned to inspect the document. If 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 proprietary data.

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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 should promptly notify the NRC.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
Robert A. Clark

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