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Dear Mr. Mroczka:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE - MILLSTONE NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 1

The purpose of this letter is to respond to your request, dated December 20, 1991, to withhold from public disclosure certain information relating to the Loss-of-Coolant accident analysis for Millstone Unit 1. The letter contained an affidavit from General Electric Company identifying the information sought to be withheld. General Electric's affidavit, dated September 29, 1989, states that the information should be considered exempt from public disclosure for the following reasons:

- The submittal found to contain information which is proprietary and which is customarily held in confidence by General Electric.
- 2. The information, to the best of General Electric's knowledge and belief, has consistently been held in confidence by General Electric, no public disclosures have been made, and it is not available in public sources. All disclosures to third parties have been made pursuant to regulatory provisions or proprietary agreements which provide for maintenance of the information in confidence.
- 3. Public disclosure of the information sought to be withheld is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of General Electric and deprive or reduce the availability of profit making opportunities because it would provide other parties, including competitors, with valuable information consisting of supporting data and analyses, the application of which provides a competitive economic advantage. In addition, use of this information by a competitor would reduce his expenditure of resources and thereby improve his competitive position in the licensing of products similar to GE products.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.790 and, on the basis of General Electric's affidavit, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains trade secrets or proprietary commercial information.

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Millstone Nuclear Power Station Unit No. 1

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W. J. Raymond, Resident Inspector Millstone Nuclear Power Station c/o U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Post Office Box 811 Niantic, Connecticut 06357 Therefore, the proprietary information will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(b)(5) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1964, as amended.

Withholding from public inspection shall not affect the right, if any, of persons properly and directly concerned to inspect the documents. If the need arises, we may send copies of this information to our consultants working in this area. We will, of course, ensure that the consultants have signed the appropriate agreements for handling proprietary information.

If the basis for our 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. You also should understand that the NRC may have cause to review this determination in the future, for example, if the scope of a Freedom of information Act request includes your information. In all review situations, if the NRC makes a determination adverse to the above, you will be notified in advance of any public disclosure.

Sincerely,

John F. Stolz, Director Project Directorate 1-4

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