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In the Matter of
 ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, ET AL.
 (Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 and 3)
 Docket Nos. STN 50-529 and STN 50-530

Dear Mr. Gehr:

During the initial Palo Verde operating license hearings held in Phoenix, Arizona, Mr. Charles Wright brought certain allegations of possibly faulty welding practices to the Licensing Board's attention. As you know, the Licensing Board has indicated they wished to be apprised of the results of the NRC investigation of Mr. Wright's charges.

This investigation has now been completed. Before forwarding a copy of the report to the Licensing Board and the parties to the Palo Verde operating license proceeding, we are offering Arizona Public Service Company an opportunity to comment as to whether this report contains any proprietary information which should be withheld from the public. If you believe any such information is contained therein, please notify me by telephone within ten days of the date of this letter and submit for our consideration written application to withhold such information within twenty days of the date of this letter.

As you will note, the copy of the investigational report that I am sending you is designated for "official use only." Please disregard this designation since it is no longer applicable.

Sincerely,

Lee Scott Dewey
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Enclosure: As Stated

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