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Dr. Zinovy V. Reytblatt
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Dear Dr. Reytblatt:

By your application and affidavit dated May 23, 1983, you submitted Containment System Leakage Testing Requirements, Revised Version and requested that it be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790.

You stated that the submitted information should be considered exempt from mandatory public disclosure for the following reasons:

1. The submitted document is not available from public sources, it is held in confidence and was transferred to the NRC in confidence;
2. The data was developed by the expenditure of over 6 months of consulting work and its disclosure would cause financial harm in excess of \$50,000.00 per year;
3. The disclosure of such information to potential clients or competitors would cause you substantial and irreparable loss as an independent consultant and the owner of a small business concern.

We have reviewed your application and the material based on the requirements and criteria of 10 CFR 2.790 and, on the basis of EXTRAN's statements, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains trade secrets or proprietary commercial information.

It is our belief, pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(b)(5) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, that, at this time, the right of the public to be fully apprised of the submitted information does not outweigh the need to protect EXTRAN's competitive position.

Accordingly, we have determined that the information should be withheld from public disclosure.

We, therefore, approve your request for withholding pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790 and are withholding Containment System Leakage Testing Requirements, Revised Version 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 documents. If the

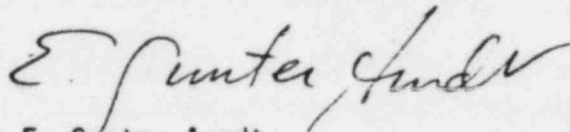
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need arises, we may send copies of this information to our consultants working in this area. We will, of course, insure that the consultants have signed the appropriate agreements for handling proprietary information.

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. You should also understand that the NRC may have cause to review this determination in the future, such as if the scope of a Freedom of Information Act request includes your information. In all review situations, if the NRC needs additional information from you or makes a determination adverse to the above, you will be notified in advance of any public disclosure.

Sincerely,



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