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March 27, 1996

52-003

Mr. Nicholas J. Liparulo, Manager Nuclear Safety and Regulatory Analysis Nuclear and Advanced Technology Division Westinghouse Electric Corporation P.O. Box 355 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15230

Dear Mr. Liparulo:

SUBJECT: THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (NRC) CONTRACTOR REPORTS RELATED TO AP600 LARGE BREAK LOSS OF COOLANT ACCIDENT (LBLOCA) ANALYSES

Enclosed are copies of two reports prepared by Los Alamos National Laboratory entitled:

- AP600 Large-Break Loss-Of-Coolant Accident Phenomena Identification and Ranking Tabulation; LA-UR-95-2718 dated August 1995
- Updated TRAC Analysis of 80 percent Double-Ended Cold-Leg Break for the AP600; LA-UR-95-4431 dated January 1996

These reports contains documentation pertaining to NRC confirmatory thermalhydraulic LBLOCA transient analyses of the Westinghouse AP600 design using the TRAC computer code. In a meeting between the staff and Westinghouse on March 15, 1996, concerning the applicability of WCOBRA/TRAC to AP600 LBLOCA analysis, a commitment was made to provide Westinghouse a copy of these documents.

You have requested that portions of the information submitted in the June 1992 application for design certification be exempt from mandatory public disclosure. While the staff has not completed its review of your request in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.790, portions of the submitted information is being withheld from public disclosure pending the staff's final determination. The staff concludes that the enclosed reports do not contain information for which exemption is sought. However, the staff will withhold the entirety of both reports from public disclosure for 30 calendar days from the date of this letter to allow Westinghouse the opportunity to verify the staff's conclusions. If, after that time, you do not request that all or portions of the enclosed report be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with 10 CFR 2.790, the reports will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Sincerely,

original signed by:

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