February 13, 1985

Docket No. 50-368

Mr. John M. Griffin, Senior Vice President Energy Supply Arkansas Power & Light Company P. O. Box 551 Little Rock, Arkansas 72203

Dear Mr. Griffin:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC

DISCLOSURE

By your application and affidavit dated August 15, 1984 you submitted a report, "Verification of CECOR Coefficient Methodology for Application to Pressurized Water Reactors of the Middle South Utilities System" and requested that it be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790.

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

- 1. MSS is the owner and developer of the information contained in the hereinabove referenced document.
- The material contained in this transmittal has considerable commercial value to MSS and its release would seriously affect the competitive position of said company.
- 3. The material contained in this transmittal is of the type customarily held in confidence and not customarily disclosed to the public and has, in fact, been held in confidence and not disclosed to the public by MSS.
- 4. This information is being transmitted to the Commission in confidence under the provisions of 10 CFR 2.790 with the understanding that it is to be received in confidence by the Commission.
- 5. The information contained in the document hereinabove referenced has been developed at considerable expense and effort by MSS and is not available to the general public.

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

Therefore, the version(s) of the submitted information marked as proprietary will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(b)(5) and Section 103(b) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, 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 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 makes a determination adverse to the above, you will be notified in advance of any public disclosure.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

James R. Miller, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #3 Division of Licensing

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