Docket No. 50-313

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

Dear Mr. Griffin:

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

By letter dated August 13, 1984, you submitted, among other things, a Babcock and Wilcox Report, "Once-Through Steam Generator Mechanical Sleeve Qualification" (BAW-1823P). You have requested that the report be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR Section 2.790. The withholding request is supported by affidavit signed by Mr. James H. Taylor of B&W dated August 2, 1984. A non-proprietary version of the report was submitted by letter dated October 22, 1984.

B&W maintains that the document contains information of the type customarily held in confidence by them and that such information is not available in open literature and is not known by potential competitors of B&W. B&W believes that disclosure of this information would reduce the expenditure of their competitors and, thus, would harm their competitive position.

We have reviewed the application and related material based on the requirements and criteria of 10 CFR 2.790 and have determined that this report contains proprietary commercial information.

We have determined that the B&W Report entitled "Once-Through Steam Generator Mechanical Sleeve Qualification", marked as proprietary, should 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.

We, therefore, approve the request for withholding pursuant to Section 2.790 of 10 CFR Part 2 and are withholding from public inspection the above mentioned document.

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

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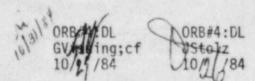
If the basis for withholding this information from public inspection should change in the future such that the information could then be made available for public inspection, you or B&W should promptly notify the NRC.

Sincerely,

"OCLIMAL STONED BY JOHN F. STOLZ" John F. Stolz, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #4 Division of Licensing

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