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Attention: Mr. David B. Matthews, Chief
Generic Issues and Environmental Projects Branch
Division of Reactor Program Management
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Dear Mr. Matthews:

Subject: Response to NRC Questions from Your Letter of December 12, 1996

This letter transmits copies of proprietary and non-proprietary versions of the Westinghouse response to questions posed in your letter of December 12, 1996 on the subject of Incomplete Rod Cluster Control Assembly Insertion. This information is being provided voluntarily by Westinghouse based upon an NRC request.

As stated, please find enclosed:

1. 1 copy of "Westinghouse Response to NRC Questions" [Proprietary]
2. 1 copy of "Westinghouse Response to NRC Questions" [Non-Proprietary]

Also enclosed are a Westinghouse authorization letter, AW-97-1064, and an accompanying affidavit.

Item 1 contains proprietary information to Westinghouse Electric Corporation and is supported by an affidavit signed by Westinghouse, the owner of the information. The affidavit sets forth the basis on which the information may be withheld from public disclosure by the Commission and addresses with specificity the considerations listed in paragraph (b)(4) of Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the information which is proprietary to Westinghouse be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with 10 CFR Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations.

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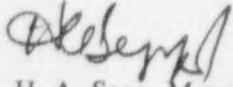
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Correspondence with respect to the copyright or proprietary aspects of the items listed above or the supporting Westinghouse Affidavit should reference AW-97-1064 and should be addressed to the undersigned at Westinghouse Electric Corporation, P.O. Box 355, Pittsburgh, PA 15230-0355.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'H. A. Sepp', is written over the typed name.

H. A. Sepp, Manager
Regulatory and Licensing Engineering

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