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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Attention: Document Control Desk

Subject: Submission of a Responses to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Request for Additional Information for the Request to Revise the NAC-LWT Certificate of Compliance (CoC) to Permit LANL MOX Fuel Rods as Approved Contents for Transport.

Docket 71-9225

- References:
1. USNRC CoC No. 9225, Revision 73, Model No. NAC-LWT Package, Dated September 30, 2020
 2. ED2023058, Submission of NAC-LWT Safety Analysis Report (SAR), Revision 47 Incorporating Changes from CoC Revisions 72 and 73 as Approved Contents for Transport, January 11, 2024
 3. ED20240003, Submission of Data Files to Support the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) Approval of LANL MOX Fuel Rods as Approved Contents for Transport in the NAC International Inc. LWT Transport Package, January 11, 2024
 4. U.S. NRC, Request for Additional Information for the Review of the Model No. NAC-LWT Transport Package, May 10, 2024
 5. ED20240001, Submission of a Request to Revise the NAC-LWT Certificate of Compliance (CoC) to Permit LANL MOX Fuel Rods as Approved Contents for Transport, January 11, 2024

NAC International Inc. (NAC) hereby submits responses to the NRC Request for Additional Information (RAI) issued on May 10, 2024 (Reference 4). Our responses to the RAIs can be found in Enclosure 1. This submittal includes copies of both the proprietary and non-proprietary LWT-24B submittal (Enclosure 6). Enclosure 2 contains the proposed CoC changes. Enclosure 3 contains calculations used to support the requested changes. Enclosures 4 and 5 contain a list of SAR and drawing changes, respectively. Consistent with NAC administrative practice, this proposed SAR revision is numbered to uniquely identify the applicable changed pages. Revision bars mark the SAR text changes on the Revision LWT-24B pages. In accordance with NAC's administrative practices, upon final acceptance of this application, the LWT-24B changed pages will be reformatted and incorporated into the next revision of the NAC-LWT SAR. Data files supporting this request are being provided in a separate submittal (Reference 3).



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Additionally, because files are now being kept solely electronically and submitted to the NRC electronically, the SAR is being condensed into one volume. Traditionally the LWT SAR had been maintained as 3 volumes.

This SAR revision contains NAC proprietary information and Attachment 1 is a signed affidavit, requesting this proprietary information be withheld from public disclosure via 10 CFR 2.390.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me on my direct number at 678-328-1252.

Sincerely,

Heath M. Baldner

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Director, Licensing
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Attachment

Attachment 1 - NAC International Inc. Affidavit Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390

Enclosures:

- Enclosure 1 – Responses to NRC Request for Additional Information
- Enclosure 2 – Proposed Changes for Certificate of Compliance Revision 75
- Enclosure 3 – List of Calculations, NAC-LWT SAR, Revision 24B
- Enclosure 4 – List of SAR Changes, NAC-LWT SAR, Revision 24B
- Enclosure 5 – List of Drawing Changes, NAC-LWT SAR, Revision 24B
- Enclosure 6 – NAC-LWT, LOEP and SAR Pages Revision 24B

Attachment 1

**NAC International Inc.
Affidavit Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390**

**NAC INTERNATIONAL INC.
AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO 10 CFR 2.390**

Michael McMahon (Affiant), Transportation & Strategic Projects, of NAC International Inc., hereinafter referred to as NAC, at 2 Sun Court, Suite 220, Peachtree Corners, Georgia 30092, being duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. Affiant has reviewed the information described in Item 2 and is personally familiar with the trade secrets and privileged information contained therein, and is authorized to request its withholding.
2. The information to be withheld includes the following NAC Proprietary Information that is being provided to support the review of NAC's Consolidated Safety Analysis Report for a Certificate of Compliance (CoC) (No. 9225) for the NAC LWT Transport Package.

Enclosure 1 – Responses to NRC Request for Additional Information

Enclosure 3 – List of Calculations, NAC-LWT SAR, Revision 24B

Enclosure 5 – List of Drawing Changes, NAC-LWT SAR, Revision 24B

Enclosure 6 – NAC-LWT, LOEP and SAR Pages Revision 24B

NAC is the owner of this information that is considered to be NAC Proprietary Information.

3. NAC makes this application for withholding of proprietary information based upon the exemption from disclosure set forth in: the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"); 5 USC Sec. 552(b)(4) and the Trade Secrets Act; 18 USC Sec. 1905; and NRC Regulations 10 CFR Part 9.17(a)(4), 2.390(a)(4), and 2.390(b)(1) for "trade secrets and commercial financial information obtained from a person, and privileged or confidential" (Exemption 4). The information for which exemption from disclosure is herein sought is all "confidential commercial information," and some portions may also qualify under the narrower definition of "trade secret," within the meanings assigned to those terms for purposes of FOIA Exemption 4.
4. Examples of categories of information that fit into the definition of proprietary information are:
 - a. Information that discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by competitors of NAC, without license from NAC, constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies.
 - b. Information that, if used by a competitor, would reduce their expenditure of resources or improve their competitive position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality or licensing of a similar product.
 - c. Information that reveals cost or price information, production capacities, budget levels or commercial strategies of NAC, its customers, or its suppliers.
 - d. Information that reveals aspects of past, present or future NAC customer-funded development plans and programs of potential commercial value to NAC.
 - e. Information that discloses patentable subject matter for which it may be desirable to obtain patent protection.

The information that is sought to be withheld is considered to be proprietary for the reasons set forth in Items 4.a, 4.b, and 4.d.

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5. The information to be withheld is being transmitted to the NRC in confidence.
6. The information sought to be withheld, including that compiled from many sources, is of a sort customarily held in confidence by NAC, and is, in fact, so held. This information has, to the best of my knowledge and belief, consistently been held in confidence by NAC. No public disclosure has been made, and it is not available in public sources. All disclosures to third parties, including any required transmittals to the NRC, have been made, or must be made, pursuant to regulatory provisions or proprietary agreements, which provide for maintenance of the information in confidence. Its initial designation as proprietary information and the subsequent steps taken to prevent its unauthorized disclosure are as set forth in Items 7 and 8 following.
7. Initial approval of proprietary treatment of a document/information is made by the Vice President, Engineering, the Project Manager, the Licensing Specialist, or the Director, Licensing – the persons most likely to know the value and sensitivity of the information in relation to industry knowledge. Access to proprietary documents within NAC is limited via “controlled distribution” to individuals on a “need to know” basis. The procedure for external release of NAC proprietary documents typically requires the approval of the Project Manager based on a review of the documents for technical content, competitive effect and accuracy of the proprietary designation. Disclosures of proprietary documents outside of NAC are limited to regulatory agencies, customers and potential customers and their agents, suppliers, licensees and contractors with a legitimate need for the information, and then only in accordance with appropriate regulatory provisions or proprietary agreements.
8. NAC has invested a significant amount of time and money in the research, development, engineering and analytical costs to develop the information that is sought to be withheld as proprietary. This information is considered to be proprietary because it contains detailed descriptions of analytical approaches, methodologies, technical data and/or evaluation results not available elsewhere. The precise value of the expertise required to develop the proprietary information is difficult to quantify, but it is clearly substantial.
9. Public disclosure of the information to be withheld is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of NAC, as the owner of the information, and reduce or eliminate the availability of profit-making opportunities. The proprietary information is part of NAC’s comprehensive spent fuel storage and transport technology base, and its commercial value extends beyond the original development cost to include the development of the expertise to determine and apply the appropriate evaluation process. The value of this proprietary information and the competitive advantage that it provides to NAC would be lost if the information were disclosed to the public. Making such information available to other parties, including competitors, without their having to make similar investments of time, labor and money would provide competitors with an unfair advantage and deprive NAC of the opportunity to seek an adequate return on its large investment.

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STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF GWINNETT

Mr. Michael McMahon, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That he has read the foregoing affidavit and the matters stated herein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Executed at Peachtree Corners, Georgia, this 28th day of May, 2024.



Michael McMahon,
Transportation & Strategic Projects
NAC International Inc.

Subscribed and sworn before me this 28th day of May, 2024.



Notary Public

