

September 24, 2007

Mr. William Levis
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SUBJECT: PSEG NUCLEAR LLC, REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION
FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FOR HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION
REGARDING SLIDES PRESENTED AT A PUBLIC MEETING, DATED
AUGUST 17, 2007 (TAC NO. MD3002)

Dear Mr. Levis:

By letter dated August 27, 2007, you submitted an affidavit executed by Barbara A. Agans on behalf of Continuum Dynamics, Inc. (C.D.I.), dated August 21, 2007, requesting that the information contained in the following document be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 2, Section 2.390:

“Hope Creek EPU NRC/PSEG Nuclear Meeting, Rockville, Maryland,” dated August 17, 2007.

A nonproprietary copy of this document has been placed in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission’s (NRC’s) Public Document Room and added to the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room.

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

- 3(a) A process or method, including supporting data and analysis, where prevention of its use by C.D.I.’s competitors without license from C.D.I. constitutes a competitive advantage over other companies;
- 3(b) Information which, if used by a competitor, would reduce his expenditure of resources or improve his competitive position in the design, manufacture, shipment, installation, assurance of quality, or licensing of a similar product;
- 3(c) Information which discloses patentable subject matter for which it may be desirable to obtain patent protection.

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We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 and, on the basis of the statements in the affidavit, have determined that the submitted information sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure. Therefore, the version of the submitted information marked proprietary will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10CFR 2.390(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 also should understand that the NRC may have cause to review this determination in the future, for example, 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.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, I may be reached at 301-415-3100.

Sincerely,

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