



10 CFR 50.75(f)(1)

Palo Verde Nuclear
Generating Station

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Dear Sirs:

**Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)
Units 1, 2, and 3
Docket Nos. STN 50-528/529/530
Status of Decommissioning Funding**

In accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 50.75(f)(1), Arizona Public Service Company (APS) is submitting the status of the decommissioning funding for PVNGS Units 1, 2, and 3. APS is relying upon the 2000 Annual Funding Status Report from each Participant in providing the information in this report with respect to each Participant's current funds, as well as future funding plans and assumptions.

The report and its appendices, provided in Enclosure 1, contain the status of decommissioning funding for each PVNGS unit and for each of the owners. Please note that the information provided in Appendix A to Enclosure 1 is a proprietary compilation of financial and commercial information. An Affidavit in support of the request that this information be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790(b)(1), is provided as Enclosure 2.

This letter does not make any commitments to the NRC.

If you have any questions, please contact Scott A. Bauer at (623) 393-5978.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. 2000 Decommissioning Funding Status Report for Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Units 1, 2 & 3
2. Affidavit of Gregg R. Overbeck Requesting Information Be Withheld From Public Disclosure

cc:	E. W. Merschoff	w/ Enclosures
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Enclosure 2

**Application Requesting Information be
Withheld From Public Disclosure**

**AFFIDAVIT OF
GREGG R. OVERBECK**

I, Gregg R. Overbeck, Senior Vice President, Nuclear, of the Arizona Public Service Company (APS), do hereby affirm and state:

1. I am authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of APS.
2. In its 2000 Decommissioning Funding Report, submitted pursuant to 10 CFR 50.75(f)(1), APS is providing on behalf of the Participants in Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Units 1, 2 and 3, a compilation of information regarding decommissioning funding (Appendix A, Tabs 1-3). The compilation of information in Appendix A is confidential commercial and financial information that should be held in confidence by the NRC and withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR § 2.790, because:
 - i. The compiled information provided in the Tables in Appendix A is and has been held in confidence by APS.
 - ii. This information is of a type that is customarily held in confidence by APS, and there is a rational basis for doing so because the information represents a unique compilation of sensitive commercial and financial information concerning the decommissioning funding.
 - iii. This information is being transmitted to the NRC in confidence.
 - iv. This information, as compiled, is not available in public sources and could not be gathered readily from other publicly available information.
 - v. Public disclosure of this information would create substantial harm to the competitive position of APS by disclosing sensitive commercial and financial information about the decommissioning funding for PVNGS to other parties whose commercial interests may be adverse to those of APS.
3. Accordingly, APS requests that the information provided in Appendix A be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR § 2.790.

Arizona Public Service Company

Gregg R. Rumbach

STATE OF ARIZONA

COUNTY OF MARICOPA

Subscribed and sworn to me, a Notary Public, in and for the County and State above named, this 29 day of March, 2001.

Nora E. Meador

My Commission Expires: April 6, 2003



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