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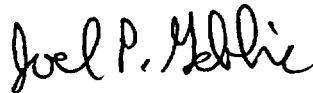
In letters dated November 5, 2001, November 28, 2001, and April 25, 2002, Indiana Michigan Power Company (I&M) submitted certain reports to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) containing proprietary information owned by Westinghouse Electric Company LLC. At the request of the NRC staff, I&M is submitting updated Application for Withholding Proprietary Information From Public Disclosure Affidavits as follows:

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| WCAP-14118, Revision 4 | "Structural Integrity Evaluation of Reactor Vessel Upper Head Penetrations to Support Continued Operation: D. C. Cook Units 1 and 2", October 2001. (CAW-03-1658) |
| WCAP-14907, Revision 1 | "Probabilistic Evaluation of Reactor Vessel Closure Head Penetration Integrity for the Donald C. Cook Units 1 and 2", November 2001. (CAW-03-1659) |
| AEP-01-217 | "Tabular Alloy 600 Data from AEP/USNRC Meeting on November 20, 2001", November 26, 2001. (CAW-03-1660) |
| WCAP-14118, Revision 5 | "Structural Integrity Evaluation of Reactor Vessel Upper Head Penetrations to Support Continued Operation: D. C. Cook Units 1 and 2", January 2002. (CAW-03-1661) |

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This letter contains no new commitments. Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Brian A. McIntyre, Manager of Regulatory Affairs, at (269) 697-5806.

Sincerely,



J. P. Gebbie
Plant Engineering Assistant Director

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Attachments:

1. Application for Withholding Proprietary Information from Public Disclosure for WCAP-14118, Revision 4
2. Application for Withholding Proprietary Information from Public Disclosure for WCAP-14907, Revision 1
3. Application for Withholding Proprietary Information from Public Disclosure for AEP-01-217
4. Application for Withholding Proprietary Information from Public Disclosure for WCAP-14118, Revision 5

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ATTACHMENT 1 TO AEP:NRC:3279

**APPLICATION FOR WITHHOLDING PROPRIETARY INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC
DISCLOSURE FOR WCAP-14118, REVISION 4**

**WCAP-14118, Revision 4 "Structural Integrity Evaluation of Reactor Vessel
Upper Head Penetrations to Support Continued Operation: D. C. Cook Units 1
and 2", October 2001. (CAW-03-1658)**



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Subject: WCAP-14118, Revision 4, "Structural Integrity Evaluation of Reactor Vessel Upper Head Penetrations to Support Continued Operation: D. C. Cook Units 1 and 2," October 2001 (Proprietary)

The proprietary information for which withholding is being requested in the above-referenced report is further identified in Affidavit CAW-03-1658 signed by the owner of the proprietary information, Westinghouse Electric Company LLC. The affidavit, which accompanies this letter, 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 10 CFR Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations.

Accordingly, this letter authorizes the utilization of the accompanying affidavit by American Electric Power Company.

Correspondence with respect to the proprietary aspects of the application for withholding or the Westinghouse affidavit should reference this letter, CAW-03-1658 and should be addressed to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

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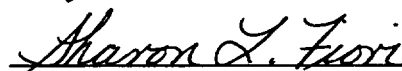
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Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared H. A. Sepp, who, being by me duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Westinghouse Electric Company LLC ("Westinghouse"), and that the averments of fact set forth in this Affidavit are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief:

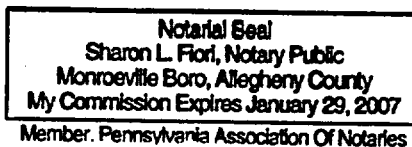


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Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 11th day
of June, 2003



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- (1) I am Manager, Regulatory Compliance and Plant Licensing, in Nuclear Services, Westinghouse Electric Company LLC ("Westinghouse"), and as such, I have been specifically delegated the function of reviewing the proprietary information sought to be withheld from public disclosure in connection with nuclear power plant licensing and rule making proceedings, and am authorized to apply for its withholding on behalf of the Westinghouse Electric Company LLC.
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There are sound policy reasons behind the Westinghouse system which include the following:

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- (b) It is information that is marketable in many ways. The extent to which such information is available to competitors diminishes the Westinghouse ability to sell products and services involving the use of the information.
- (c) Use by our competitor would put Westinghouse at a competitive disadvantage by reducing his expenditure of resources at our expense.

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 - (e) Unrestricted disclosure would jeopardize the position of prominence of Westinghouse in the world market, and thereby give a market advantage to the competition of those countries.
 - (f) The Westinghouse capacity to invest corporate assets in research and development depends upon the success in obtaining and maintaining a competitive advantage.
- (iii) The information is being transmitted to the Commission in confidence and, under the provisions of 10 CFR Section 2.790, it is to be received in confidence by the Commission.
- (iv) The information sought to be protected is not available in public sources or available information has not been previously employed in the same original manner or method to the best of our knowledge and belief.
- (v) The proprietary information sought to be withheld in this submittal is that which is appropriately marked in WCAP-14118, Revision 4, "Structural Integrity Evaluation of Reactor Vessel Upper Head Penetrations to Support Continued Operation: D. C. Cook Units 1 and 2," October 2001 (Proprietary) being transmitted by the American Electric Company letter and Application for Withholding Proprietary Information from Public Disclosure, to the Document Control Desk. The proprietary information as submitted for use by Westinghouse Electric Company LLC for D. C. Cook Units 1 and 2 is expected to be applicable for other licensee submittals in response to certain NRC requirements for justification of the use of fracture mechanics analyses to support continued safe operation of D. C. Cook Unit 1 or 2 with the presence of a crack in a control rod drive head penetration.

This information is part of that which will enable Westinghouse to:

- (a) Determine the allowable time of safe operation if cracks are found.
- (b) Assist the customer to obtain NRC approval.

Further this information has substantial commercial value as follows:

- (a) Westinghouse plans to sell the use of similar information to its customers for purposes of meeting NRC requirements for licensing documentation.
- (b) Westinghouse can sell support and defense of continued safe operation with the presence of cracks in a control rod drive head penetration.

Public disclosure of this proprietary information is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of Westinghouse because it would enhance the ability of competitors to provide similar support documentation and licensing defense services for commercial power reactors without commensurate expenses. Also, public disclosure of the information would enable others to use the information to meet NRC requirements for licensing documentation without purchasing the right to use the information.

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ATTACHMENT 2 TO AEP:NRC:3279

**APPLICATION FOR WITHHOLDING PROPRIETARY INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC
DISCLOSURE FOR WCAP-14907, REVISION 1**

**WCAP-14907, Revision 1 "Probabilistic Evaluation of Reactor Vessel Closure
Head Penetration Integrity for the Donald C. Cook Units 1 and 2", November
2001. (CAW-03-1659)**



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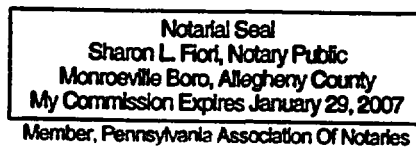
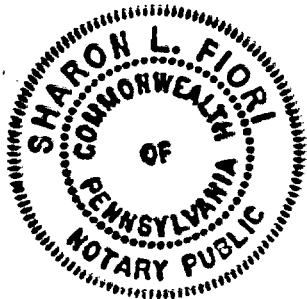
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This information is part of that which will enable Westinghouse to:

- (a) Determine the nature of potential cracking of the reactor vessel closure head penetrations.
- (b) Assist the customer to obtain NRC approval.

Further this information has substantial commercial value as follows:

- (a) Westinghouse plans to sell the use of similar information to its customers for purposes of meeting NRC requirements for licensing documentation.
- (b) Westinghouse can sell support and defense of in-depth probabilistic assessments for all of the reactor vessel closure head penetrations.

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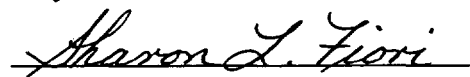
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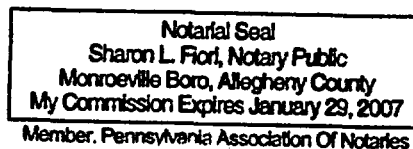
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- (iii) The information is being transmitted to the Commission in confidence and, under the provisions of 10 CFR Section 2.790, it is to be received in confidence by the Commission.
- (iv) The information sought to be protected is not available in public sources or available information has not been previously employed in the same original manner or method to the best of our knowledge and belief.
- (v) The proprietary information sought to be withheld in this submittal is that which is appropriately marked in AEP-01-217, "Tabular Alloy 600 Data from AEP/USNRC Meeting on November 20, 2001," (Proprietary) dated November 26, 2001 for D. C. Cook Units 1 and 2 being transmitted by the American Electric Company letter and Application for Withholding Proprietary Information from Public Disclosure, to the Document Control Desk. The proprietary information as submitted for use by Westinghouse Electric Company LLC for D. C. Cook Units 1 and 2 is expected to be applicable for other licensee submittals in response to certain NRC requirements as presented in Generic Letter 97-01.

This information is part of that which will enable Westinghouse to:

- (a) Determine the nature of potential cracking in the reactor vessel closure head penetrations.
- (b) Assist the customer to obtain NRC approval.

Further this information has substantial commercial value as follows:

- (a) Westinghouse plans to sell the use of similar information to its customers for purposes of meeting NRC requirements for licensing documentation.
- (b) Westinghouse can sell support and defense of in-depth probabilistic assessments for all of the reactor vessel closure head penetrations.

Public disclosure of this proprietary information is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of Westinghouse because it would enhance the ability of competitors to provide similar support documentation and licensing defense services for commercial power reactors without commensurate expenses. Also, public disclosure of the information would enable others to use the information to meet NRC requirements for licensing documentation without purchasing the right to use the information.

The development of the technology described in part by the information is the result of applying the results of many years of experience in an intensive Westinghouse effort and the expenditure of a considerable sum of money.

In order for competitors of Westinghouse to duplicate this information, similar technical programs would have to be performed and a significant manpower effort, having the requisite talent and experience, would have to be expended, would have to be expended for developing testing and analytical methods and performing tests.

Further the dependent sayeth not.

Further the deponent sayeth not.

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ATTACHMENT 4 TO AEP:NRC:3279

**APPLICATION FOR WITHHOLDING PROPRIETARY INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC
DISCLOSURE FOR WCAP-14118, REVISION 5**

**WCAP-14118, Revision 5 "Structural Integrity Evaluation of Reactor Vessel
Upper Head Penetrations to Support Continued Operation: D. C. Cook Units 1
and 2", January 2002. (CAW-03-1661)**



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Subject: WCAP-14118, Revision 5, "Structural Integrity Evaluation of Reactor Vessel Upper Head Penetrations to Support Continued Operation: D. C. Cook Units 1 and 2," January 2002 (Proprietary)

The proprietary information for which withholding is being requested in the above-referenced report is further identified in Affidavit CAW-03-1661 signed by the owner of the proprietary information, Westinghouse Electric Company LLC. The affidavit, which accompanies this letter, 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 10 CFR Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations.

Accordingly, this letter authorizes the utilization of the accompanying affidavit by American Electric Power Company.

Correspondence with respect to the proprietary aspects of the application for withholding or the Westinghouse affidavit should reference this letter, CAW-03-1661 and should be addressed to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. A. Sepp'.

H. A. Sepp, Manager
Regulatory Compliance and Plant Licensing

Enclosures

cc: S. J. Collins
D. Holland
B. Benney


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COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY:

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared H. A. Sepp, who, being by me duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Westinghouse Electric Company LLC ("Westinghouse"), and that the averments of fact set forth in this Affidavit are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief:



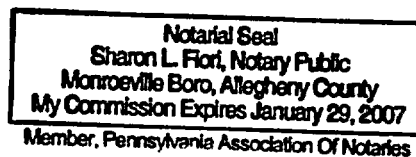
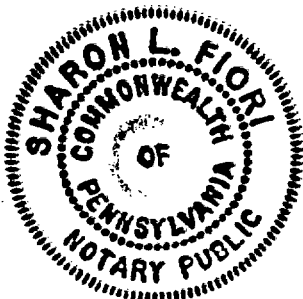
H. A. Sepp, Manager

Regulatory Compliance and Plant Licensing

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 11th day
of June, 2003



Notary Public



- (1) I am Manager, Regulatory Compliance and Plant Licensing, in Nuclear Services, Westinghouse Electric Company LLC ("Westinghouse"), and as such, I have been specifically delegated the function of reviewing the proprietary information sought to be withheld from public disclosure in connection with nuclear power plant licensing and rule making proceedings, and am authorized to apply for its withholding on behalf of the Westinghouse Electric Company LLC.
- (2) I am making this Affidavit in conformance with the provisions of 10 CFR Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations and in conjunction with the Westinghouse application for withholding accompanying this Affidavit.
- (3) I have personal knowledge of the criteria and procedures utilized by the Westinghouse Electric Company LLC in designating information as a trade secret, privileged or as confidential commercial or financial information.
- (4) Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (b)(4) of Section 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, the following is furnished for consideration by the Commission in determining whether the information sought to be withheld from public disclosure should be withheld.
 - (i) The information sought to be withheld from public disclosure is owned and has been held in confidence by Westinghouse.
 - (ii) The information is of a type customarily held in confidence by Westinghouse and not customarily disclosed to the public. Westinghouse has a rational basis for determining the types of information customarily held in confidence by it and, in that connection, utilizes a system to determine when and whether to hold certain types of information in confidence. The application of that system and the substance of that system constitutes Westinghouse policy and provides the rational basis required.

Under that system, information is held in confidence if it falls in one or more of several types, the release of which might result in the loss of an existing or potential competitive advantage, as follows:

 - (a) The information reveals the distinguishing aspects of a process (or component, structure, tool, method, etc.) where prevention of its use by any of

Westinghouse's competitors without license from Westinghouse constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies.

- (b) It consists of supporting data, including test data, relative to a process (or component, structure, tool, method, etc.), the application of which data secures a competitive economic advantage, e.g., by optimization or improved marketability.
- (c) Its use 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 a similar product.
- (d) It reveals cost or price information, production capacities, budget levels, or commercial strategies of Westinghouse, its customers or suppliers.
- (e) It reveals aspects of past, present, or future Westinghouse or customer funded development plans and programs of potential commercial value to Westinghouse.
- (f) It contains patentable ideas, for which patent protection may be desirable.

There are sound policy reasons behind the Westinghouse system which include the following:

- (a) The use of such information by Westinghouse gives Westinghouse a competitive advantage over its competitors. It is, therefore, withheld from disclosure to protect the Westinghouse competitive position.
- (b) It is information that is marketable in many ways. The extent to which such information is available to competitors diminishes the Westinghouse ability to sell products and services involving the use of the information.
- (c) Use by our competitor would put Westinghouse at a competitive disadvantage by reducing his expenditure of resources at our expense.

- (d) Each component of proprietary information pertinent to a particular competitive advantage is potentially as valuable as the total competitive advantage. If competitors acquire components of proprietary information, any one component may be the key to the entire puzzle, thereby depriving Westinghouse of a competitive advantage.
 - (e) Unrestricted disclosure would jeopardize the position of prominence of Westinghouse in the world market, and thereby give a market advantage to the competition of those countries.
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This information is part of that which will enable Westinghouse to:

- (a) Determine the allowable time of safe operation if cracks are found.
- (b) Assist the customer to obtain NRC approval.

Further this information has substantial commercial value as follows:

- (a) Westinghouse plans to sell the use of similar information to its customers for purposes of meeting NRC requirements for licensing documentation.
- (b) Westinghouse can sell support and defense of continued safe operation with the presence of cracks in a control rod drive head penetration.

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