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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE
FOR SEPTEMBER 16, 2003, MEETING (AW-03-1697)

Dear Mr. Corletti:

By letter dated September 3, 2003, and associated affidavit executed on September 3, 2003, by James W. Winters, you indicated that you hold the information to be discussed during a meeting scheduled for September 16, 2003, to be proprietary. You requested that the information to be discussed be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 2.790 (10 CFR 2.790). The purpose of the September 16, 2003, meeting is to discuss Westinghouse's AP600/AP1000 construction plan and scheduling information. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is meeting with Westinghouse to discuss their construction scheduling in order to determine how best to develop inspection manual chapters and inspection procedures to verify inspections, tests, analyses, and acceptance criteria.

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

- (1) 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, and
- (2) use of the information 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, and
- (3) reveals cost or price information, production capacities, budget levels, or commercial strategies of Westinghouse, its customers or suppliers.

We have reviewed your letter and affidavit in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.790 and, on the basis of your statements, have determined that the information to be discussed at the September 16, 2003, meeting sought to be withheld contains proprietary commercial information and should be withheld from public disclosure. Therefore, the meeting will be closed to the public.

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A non-proprietary summary of the meeting will be prepared and placed in ADAMS. If you have any questions regarding this matter, I may be reached at 301-415-1132.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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