

June 7, 2006

Mr. C. Paul Deltete
Senior Vice President
Duratek Services, Inc.
10100 Old Columbia Road
Columbia, MD 21046

SUBJECT: NRC APPROVAL OF DURATEK SERVICES, INC. REQUEST FOR
WITHHOLDING INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

Dear Mr. Deltete:

By letter dated May 2, 2006, as supplemented May 9, 2006, Duratek Services, Inc. (Duratek) requested a closed meeting with NRC staff to discuss the details of a proposed business venture, whose details are pre-decisional and commercially confidential. In the letter, Duratek requested that the meeting be closed to the public to discuss proprietary information.

The letter included an affidavit executed by you on the same date, which requested that certain information presented during this meeting be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390. Specifically, Duratek requested to withhold information discussing the specific aspects of the proposed business venture, which are pre-decisional and have not been released to the public. Duratek provided this information in a proposed agenda and meeting handouts enclosed with the letter.

The affidavit states that the submitted information should be withheld from public disclosure for the following reason:

1. The information sought to be withheld is owned and has been held in confidence by the owner.
2. The information is of a type customarily held in confidence by the owner and not disclosed to the public.
3. Public disclosure of the information is likely to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the owner.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390 and, on the basis of your statements, 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 as proprietary will be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 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 basis for withholding this information from public disclosure should change in the future such that the information could then be made available for public inspection, you should promptly notify the NRC. You should also 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 withheld 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) 415-8500.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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