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Mr. Oscar A. Limpias
Vice President-Nuclear and CNO
Nebraska Public Power District
72676 648A Avenue
Brownville, NE 68321

SUBJECT: COOPER NUCLEAR STATION - REQUEST FOR WITHHOLDING
INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE (CAC NO. MF7605)

Dear Mr. Limpias:

By letter dated April 21, 2016 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML16120A370), Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD, the licensee) submitted an affidavit dated March 10, 2016, executed by Lukas Trosman, Global Nuclear Fuel [GNF] – Americas [GNF-A], LLC, 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:

GNF-000N6036-R1-P, "GNF Additional Information Regarding the Requested Changes to the Technical Specifications SLMCPR – Cooper Nuclear Station Cycle 30," dated March 2016 [Enclosure 2 to CNS letter NLS2016021].

A nonproprietary version of the document has been placed in the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Public Document room and added to ADAMS in the NRC Library at Accession No. ML16120A371.

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

- a. Information that discloses a process, method, or apparatus, including supporting data and analyses, where prevention of its use by GNF-A's competitors without license from GNF-A constitutes a competitive economic advantage over other companies.
- 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.

We have reviewed your application and the material in accordance with the 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 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 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, please contact me at 301-415-1445 or via e-mail at Alan.Wang@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Wang". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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