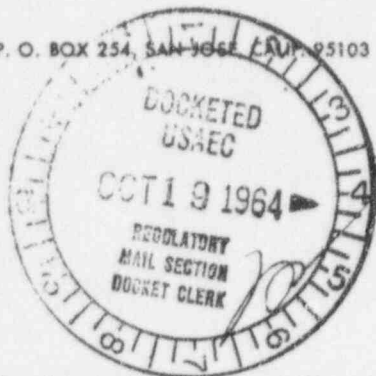


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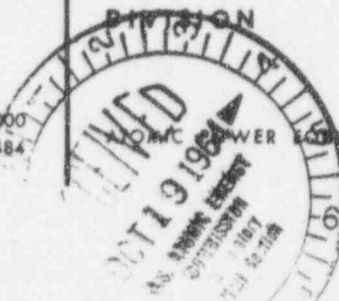
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DOCKET NO. 50-231

U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
Division of Licensing and Regulation
Washington 25, D. C. 20545

Attention: R. L. Doan
Division of Reactor Licensing

Gentlemen:

By letter dated 10 October 1964, General Electric Company transmitted forty copies of a Preliminary Hazards Summary Report ("PHSR") on the Southwest Experimental Fast Oxide Reactor ("SEFOR") in advance of the filing of an application for Class 104(b) licenses to construct and operate SEFOR. A joint application by Southwest Atomic Energy Associates ("SAEA") and General Electric Company for those licenses has been sent to the Commission on this date.

By telegram dated 13 October 1964, General Electric, for itself and for SAEA, advised the Commission that certain pages of the PHSR contains patentable material and requested that the PHSR be withheld from public disclosure pending submission of a revised, two volume PHSR in which the patentable material would be separated from the balance of the PHSR.

General Electric, for itself and for SAEA, submits herewith in forty copies each, Parts I and II of the PHSR and requests that Parts I and II be substituted for the single document which was transmitted to the Commission on 10 October 1964. In combination, Parts I and II are identical to that single document except that all pages of the original document which contained patentable material have been placed in Part II of the two part PHSR which is submitted herewith.

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR 2.790(b), that the Commission withhold from

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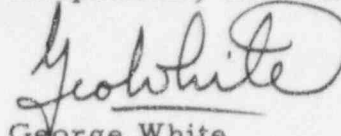
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public disclosure Part II of the SEFOR PHSR. In support of their request, applicants submit that Part II of the SEFOR PHSR contains unpublished information with respect to new compositions, processes and operations which are under development by General Electric for the United States Atomic Energy Commission and with respect to which patent applications may be filed. Publication of such information will adversely affect the interests of the Commission since a publication of a description of a possible patentable invention prior to the filing date of the patent application will prevent the Commission from obtaining patent protection on such an invention in substantial number of foreign countries. Applicants request that Part II be withheld from public disclosure only for the period of time required for patent protection.

Applicants believe that the proposed withholding of Part II of the SEFOR PHSR from public inspection is not contrary to the public interest and that Section 2.790(b) fully protects the right of persons, who are able to establish proper and direct concern with the contents of Part II, to inspect that document. Applicants further believe, that the extensive information concerning SEFOR which remains in Part I of the SEFOR PHSR, and which will become part of the public record, is sufficient to enable any member of the general public to determine whether he falls within the category of a person "properly and directly concerned" within the meaning of Section 2.790(b).

Respectfully submitted,

George White
General Manager

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Enclosures

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