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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
ATTN.: Document Control Desk  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Submittal of Accepted Version of Topical Report BAW-10186P, "Extended Burnup Evaluation."

Gentlemen:

Enclosed are fifteen copies of topical report BAW-10186P-A and twelve copies of BAW-10186-A. These reports will serve as the accepted versions, proprietary and non-proprietary, of BAW-10186P which was recently reviewed and found to be acceptable by the NRC staff. This report justifies the extension of fuel burnup limits to the values specified in the NRC safety evaluation report (SER).

A copy of the NRC acceptance letter and accompanying SER is included between the title page and the abstract page of the report. Copies of the responses to the NRC request for additional information on BAW-10186P are included as Appendices A, B, and C of the report.

B&W Fuel Company (BWFC) requested that BAW-10186P be withheld from public disclosure and provided an affidavit supporting that request with the November 24, 1992 submittal of the topical report. Since the accepted version of BAW-10186P does not include any new information beyond that previously submitted, BWFC does not intend to submit another affidavit defending the proprietary nature of the report. It is requested, however, that the NRC approved version of BAW-10186P be treated as proprietary for the reasons in the original submittal noted above.

Very truly yours,

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