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Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2
Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-72 and NPF-77
NRC Docket Nos. STN 50-456 and STN 50-457

Byron Station, Units 1 and 2
Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-37 and NPF-66
NRC Docket Nos. STN 50-454 and STN 50-455

Dresden Nuclear Power Station, Units 2 and 3
Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-19 and DPR-25
NRC Docket Nos. 50-237 and 50-249

LaSalle County Station, Units 1 and 2
Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-11 and NPF-18
NRC Docket Nos. 50-373 and 50-374

Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2
Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-29 and DPR-30
NRC Docket Nos. 50-254 and 50-265

Subject: Response to Regulatory Issue Summary 2000-14, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations"

Reference: NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2000-14, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations," dated September 6, 2000

This letter provides our voluntary response to the request for information contained in the referenced Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS). The NRC requested a voluntary response to the RIS be submitted within 30 days of receipt of the RIS. We received RIS 2000-14 on September 6, 2000. Accordingly, this response is due to be submitted by October 6, 2000.

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As requested, the Attachment, "Completed NRC Form 536s," contains a separate NRC Form 536 [August 2000], "Operator Licensing Examination Data," for each of our facilities addressed by the RIS. The information provided for each facility includes: the proposed examination preparation schedule for calendar years (CYs) 2001 through 2004; the estimated number of applicants and proposed dates for each of the initial operator license examinations through CY 2004; and the estimated number of candidates that plan to take the Generic Fundamentals Examination in CYs 2001 and 2002.

The CY 2001 license examination for Dresden Nuclear Power Station is already scheduled with NRC Region III as specified in a NRC letter dated September 6, 1999. Therefore, the attachment reflects only information related to proposed operator license examination dates and applicant numbers which is not included in previously agreed to examination schedules.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact K. A. Ainger at (630) 663-7350.

Respectfully,



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Vice President – Regulatory Services

Attachment

cc: Regional Administrator – NRC Region III
NRC Senior Resident Inspector – Braidwood Station
NRC Senior Resident Inspector – Byron Station
NRC Senior Resident Inspector – Dresden Nuclear Power Station
NRC Senior Resident Inspector – LaSalle County Station
NRC Senior Resident Inspector – Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station

Attachment

Completed NRC Form 536s

Braidwood Station

Byron Station

Dresden Nuclear Power Station

LaSalle County Station

Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station

**OPERATOR LICENSING
EXAMINATION DATA**

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NRC REGION

III

A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>	CY <u>02</u>	CY <u>03</u>	CY <u>04</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>	CY <u>02</u>	CY <u>03</u>	CY <u>04</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	5	9	6	5
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT	5	4	4	3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE	0	2	2	3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	10/15/01 – 10/26/01	07/08/02 – 07/19/02	06/16/03 – 06/27/03	06/21/04 – 07/02/04
ALTERNATE DATE	10/08/01 – 10/19/01	07/15/02 – 07/26/02	06/23/03 – 07/03/03	06/28/04 – 07/09/04

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>		CY <u>02</u>	
	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	0	21	0	15

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	0	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>	CY <u>02</u>	CY <u>03</u>	CY <u>04</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	5	0	5	5
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT	4	0	3	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE	2	0	2	3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	11/05/01 – 11/16/01	-	06/02/03 – 06/13/03	07/06/04 – 07/16/04
ALTERNATE DATE	11/12/01 – 11/23/01	-	06/09/03 – 06/20/03	07/12/04 – 07/23/04

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>		CY <u>02</u>	
	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	15	0	0	11

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>	CY <u>02</u>	CY <u>03</u>	CY <u>04</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	*	1	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>	CY <u>02</u>	CY <u>03</u>	CY <u>04</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	*	8	5	5
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT	*	8	1	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE	*	1	4	3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED	*	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	*	05/27/02 – 06/07/02	06/02/03 – 06/13/03	06/07/04 – 06/18/04
ALTERNATE DATE	*	06/03/02 – 06/14/02	06/09/03 – 06/20/03	06/14/04 – 06/25/04

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>		CY <u>02</u>	
	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	0	22	0	10

* Already scheduled in NRC letter dated September 6, 1999.

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	1	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>	CY <u>02</u>	CY <u>03</u>	CY <u>04</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	0	5	4	4
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT	0	8	5	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE	0	0	2	3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	-	04/08/02 – 04/19/02	03/31/03 – 04/11/03	04/12/04 – 04/23/04
ALTERNATE DATE	-	04/15/02 – 04/26/02	04/07/03 – 04/18/03	04/19/04 – 04/30/04

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>		CY <u>02</u>	
	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	20	0	13	0

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>	CY <u>02</u>	CY <u>03</u>	CY <u>04</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	2	4	4	5
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT	2	6	2	3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE	0	3	3	3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	08/06/01 – 08/10/01	11/04/02 – 11/15/02	11/03/03 – 11/14/03	11/15/04 – 11/24/04
ALTERNATE DATE	08/13/01 – 08/17/01	10/28/02 – 11/08/02	10/27/03 – 11/07/03	11/29/04 – 12/10/04

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PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>01</u>		CY <u>02</u>	
	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	0	15	0	9