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Dear Sirs:

**Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)  
Units 1, 2, & 3  
Docket Nos. STN 50-528/529/530  
Response to RIS 2000-14, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator  
Licensing Examinations"**

This letter is Arizona Public Service Company's (APS) voluntary response to RIS 2000-14, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations." Attached to this letter is NRC Form 536 which provides Palo Verde's proposed schedule of examinations estimated for calendar year 2001 through 2004.

There are no commitments made to the NRC by this letter.

Please contact Mr. Fred Riedel (623) 393-6580 if you have any questions or would like additional information regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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NRC FORM 836 (8-2000)		U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION			APPROVED BY OMB: NO. 3150-0131		EXPIRES: 07/31/2002	
<b>OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATION DATA</b>					<small>Estimated burden per response to comply with this voluntary information collection request: 1 hour. This information collection is used to plan budgets and resources for operator examinations. Send comments regarding burden estimate to the Records Management Branch (T-6 E6), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by Internet e-mail to <a href="mailto:bia1@nrc.gov">bia1@nrc.gov</a> and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0131), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.</small>			
FACILITY Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station 50-528, 50-529, 50-530							NRC REGION IV	
<b>A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE</b>								
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2001	CY 2002	CY 2003	CY 2004				
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	0	1	0				
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0				
<b>B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS</b>								
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2001	CY 2002	CY 2003	CY 2004				
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	5		5					
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	1		1					
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	5		5					
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	8		8					
PROPOSED DATES								
PRIMARY DATE	July 23, 2001		July 21, 2003					
ALTERNATE DATE								
<b>C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE</b>								
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2003			CY ____				
	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD		
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	6							