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FOR THE FERMI INITIAL EXAMINATION - JUNE 2001

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September 16, 1998
NRC-98-0144

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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Reference: Fermi 2
NRC Docket No. 50-341
NRC License No. NPF-43

Subject: Initial License Operator Examination Dates

This letter is to inform you that Fermi 2 has recently commenced an initial licensed operator training class. The schedule for this class has been developed to support a January, 2000, initial license operator examination.

Therefore, per your agreement with Mr. Larry Sanders, Fermi 2 Operations Training Supervisor, I am requesting the NRC to conduct an initial license examination in accordance with the following dates:

- Examination preparation week January 3, 2000
- Examination administration weeks: January 24 and January 31, 2000

Current plans are to have two (2) reactor operator candidates, four (4) upgrade senior reactor operator candidates, and seven (7) instant senior reactor operator candidates participate in the exam.

In addition to the January 2000 examination dates, I am requesting that your office schedule Fermi for an additional initial licensed operator examination during May of 2001.

If you have any questions in this matter please contact Mr. Larry D. Sanders at (734) 586-4121.

Sincerely,

D. R. Gipson

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cc: G. A. Harris

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NRC-99-0091

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Reference: Fermi 2
NRC Docket No. 50-341
NRC License No. NPF-43

Subject: Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations

Attached is a completed NRC Form 536 for the Fermi 2 station. This form is being submitted in response to NRC Administrative Letter 99-03 "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations".

If you have any questions in this matter please contact Mr. Larry D. Sanders, General Supervisor, Operations Training, at (734) 586-4121.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

cc: S. Campbell
Region III Administrator ✓

**OPERATOR LICENSING
EXAMINATION DATA**

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-8 E6), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by internet e-mail to bis1@nrc.gov, 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.

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2000</u>	CY <u>2001</u>	CY <u>2002</u>	CY <u>2003</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	1	1

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2000</u>	CY <u>2001</u>	CY <u>2002</u>	CY <u>2003</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	1	6	5	5
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	5	3	2	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	3	3	2	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	Scheduled for Week of 1/31/00	Week of 5/21/01	Week of 9/16/02	Week of 01/19/04
ALTERNATE DATE	N/A	Week of 6/4/01	Week of 9/23/02	Week of 1/26/04

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2000</u>		CY <u>2001</u>	
	FIRST	SECOND	FIRST	SECOND
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	9	N/A	N/A	7

March 13, 2000

Mr. D. R. Gipson
Senior Vice President
Nuclear Generation
The Detroit Edison Company
6400 North Dixie Highway
Newport, MI 48166

Dear Mr. Gipson:

In response to your letters dated September 16, 1998 and September 27, 1999, we have tentatively scheduled an initial licensing examination for your operator license applicants during the weeks of June 4 and 11, 2001. Validation of the examination will occur at the station during the week of May 14, 2001. In the unlikely event that we are unable to support the examination during the scheduled weeks, we will inform you immediately upon discovery of such conditions and make arrangements to administer the examination at a mutually acceptable date.

As stated in the enclosure to your letter dated September 27, 1999, and confirmed in a telephone conversation with Mr. Larry Sanders on February 22, 2000, your staff will develop the examination.

Your letter of September 27, 1999, indicated you are training approximately 12 candidates for the examination. Please inform us if the number of candidates declines below 10 as this will impact the examination schedule. Please also inform us at your earliest opportunity if you discover you are unable to support the examination on the scheduled dates.

A supplementary letter will be sent to the training department approximately 120 days prior to the examination outlining examination security expectations, listing the materials required by the NRC to conduct the examination, reconfirming the examination dates, and reconfirming the number of candidates you have in the training program. If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact Mary Ann Bies of my staff at 630-829-9711.

Sincerely,



David E. Hills, Chief
Operations Branch

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June 9, 2000

Mr. William O'Connor, Jr.
Vice President
Nuclear Generation
The Detroit Edison Company
6400 North Dixie Highway
Newport, MI 48166

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

This is to notify you of a change from our letter dated March 13, 2000 where we informed you that your staff would develop the Fermi initial licensing examination. Per the telephone discussion between Mr. Michael Bielby and Mr. Kurt Snyder on June 8, 2000, the examination tentatively scheduled during the weeks of June 4 and 11, 2001, will be developed by the NRC.

The NRC will prepare the examinations based on the guidelines in Revision 8, Supplement 1, of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors." Your staff will be given the opportunity to review the examinations the week of May 11, 2001.

To meet the above schedule, it will be necessary for your staff to furnish the reference materials identified in Attachment 2 of ES-201 by November 27, 2000. Any delay in receiving the required reference materials, or the submittal of inadequate or incomplete materials, may cause the examinations to be rescheduled.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room and will be available on the NRC Public Electronic Reading Room (PERR) link at the NRC home page, <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html>.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Mr. Kurt Snyder has been advised of the policies and guidelines referenced in this letter. If you have any questions regarding the NRC's examination procedures and guidelines, please contact Mr. Michael Bielby at 630-829-9762, or me at 630-829-9733.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David E. Hills".

David E. Hills, Chief
Operations Branch
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February 6, 2001

Mr. William O'Connor, Jr.
Vice President
Nuclear Generation
Detroit Edison Company
6400 North Dixie Highway
Newport, MI 48166

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

In a telephone conversation on February 6, 2001, between Mr. K. Snyder, Training Supervisor and Mr. M. Bielby, Chief Examiner, arrangements were made for the administration of licensing examinations at the Fermi 2 reactor facility the weeks of June 4, 2001 and June 11, 2001. In addition, the NRC will make an examination validation visit to your facility the week of May 14, 2001.

The NRC will prepare the examinations based on the guidelines in Revision 8, Supplement 1, of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors." Your staff will be given the opportunity to review the examinations the week of May 14, 2001.

To meet the above schedule, it will be necessary for your staff to furnish the reference materials identified in Attachment 2 of ES-201 by March 5, 2001. Any delay in receiving the required reference materials, or the submittal of inadequate or incomplete materials, may cause the examinations to be rescheduled.

In order to conduct the requested written examinations and operating tests, it will be necessary for your staff to provide adequate space and accommodations in accordance with ES-402, and to make the simulation facility available on the dates noted above. In accordance with ES-302, your staff should retain the original simulator performance data (e.g., system pressures, temperatures, and levels) generated during the dynamic operating tests until the examination results are final.

Appendix E of NUREG-1021 contains a number of NRC policies and guidelines that will be in effect while the written examinations and operating tests are being administered.

To permit timely NRC review and evaluation, your staff should submit preliminary reactor operator and senior reactor operator license applications (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval number 3150-0090), medical certifications (OMB approval number 3150-0024), and waiver requests (if any) (OMB approval number 3150-0090) at least 30 days before the first examination date. If the applications are not received at least 30 days before the examination date, a postponement may be necessary. Signed applications certifying that all training has been completed should be submitted at least 14 days before the first examination date.

This letter contains information collections that are subject to the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995* (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). These information collections were approved by the Office of Management and Budget, approval number 3150-0018, which expires on April 30, 2003.

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Sincerely,

Ann Marie Stone FOR

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June 20, 2001
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Subject: **Post-Examination Comments**

Dear Mr. Bielby:

These post-exam comments are being submitted in accordance with NUREG 1021, Revision 8, Supplement 1.

The facility does not request any changes be made on the written examination.

The facility will submit the original form of the security agreement once all the post-exam signatures have been obtained.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the contents of this letter, please contact Mr. Kirk Snyder at (734) 586-4896.

Sincerely,

William T. O'Connor, Jr.

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