MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

FOR THE FERMI RETAKE EXAMINATION ON OCTOBER 15, 2001

FERMI RE-TAKE INITIAL LICENSE EXAM

OCTOBER 15, 2001

ES-201, Attachment 3 "Corporate Notification Letter(s)"

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 July 13, 2001, between Mr. K. Snyder, Operations Training Supervisor, and Mr. H. Peterson, Senior Operations Engineer, arrangements were made for the administration of licensing written re-take examination at the Fermi Nuclear Power Station the week of October 15, 2001.

As agreed during the telephone conversation, your staff will prepare the examinations based on the guidelines in Revision 8, Supplement 1, of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors." The NRC regional office will discuss with your staff any changes that might be necessary before the examinations are administered.

To meet the above schedule, it will be necessary for your staff to furnish the examination outline by August 3, 2001. The written re-take examination, and the supporting reference materials identified in Attachment 2 of ES-201 will be due by September 7, 2001. Pursuant to 10 CFR 55.40(b)(3), an authorized representative of the facility licensee shall approve the outline and examination, before they are submitted to the NRC for review and approval. All materials shall be complete and ready to use. Any delay in receiving the required examination and reference materials, or the submittal of inadequate or incomplete materials, may cause the examination to be rescheduled.

In order to conduct the requested written re-take examination, it will be necessary for your staff to provide adequate space and accommodations in accordance with ES-402.

Appendix E of NUREG-1021 contains a number of NRC policies and guidelines that will be in effect while the written re-take examination is 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.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Mr. 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. H. Peterson at 630-829-9707, or me at 630-829-9733.

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Sincerely,

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Division of Reactor Safety

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(The facility did not provide postexamination comments)