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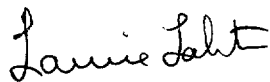
**DOCKET 50-255 - LICENSE DPR-20 - PALISADES PLANT**  
**VOLUNTARY RESPONSE TO NRC REGULATORY ISSUE SUMMARY 2002-09:**  
**PREPARATION AND SCHEDULING OF OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS**

NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2002-09, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations," requests that licensees submit, on a voluntary basis, an NRC Form 536, "Operator Licensing Examination Data." This form provides: A) Proposed Examination Preparation Schedule; B) Initial Operator License Examinations; and, C) Proposed Generic Fundamentals Examination Schedule. The purpose of these estimates is to assist the NRC in budgeting and scheduling the use of its resources.

In response to this request, Nuclear Management Company, LLC, estimates have been completed for Palisades Nuclear Plant on NRC Form 536 and are attached.

**SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS**

This letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.



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Attachment

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**NUCLEAR MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC  
PALISADES PLANT  
DOCKET 50-255**

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**NRC FORM 536  
OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATION DATA**

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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) US Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001 or by internet email to [bjs1@nrc.gov](mailto:bjs1@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.

**OPERATOR LICENSING  
EXAMINATION DATA**

FACILITY  
Palisades Nuclear Plant  
27780 Blue Star Memorial Highway  
Covert, MI 49043

NRC REGION III

DOCKET 50-255 LICENSE DPR-20 PALISADES PLANT

**A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY2003	CY2004	CY2005	CY2006
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	0	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

**B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY2003	CY2004	CY2005	CY2006
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	3	0	6	6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT	6	0	6	6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE	3	0	0	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	7/21/03 – 8/1/03	N/A	4/11/05 – 4/22/05	12/4/06 – 12/15/06
ALTERNATE DATE	None	N/A	None	None

**C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY2004			CY2005		
	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	12					12