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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 2002-09, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator  
Licensing Examinations"**

This letter is Arizona Public Service Company's (APS) voluntary response to RIS 2002-09, "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 years 2003 through 2006.

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

Please contact Mr. Daniel Marks (623) 393-6492 if you have any questions or would like additional information regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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<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-5 E6), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by internet e-mail to 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.</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 2003	cy 2004	cy 2005	cy 2006			
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 2003	cy 2004	cy 2005	cy 2006			
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	8		5				
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT			1				
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	3		3				
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED							
PROPOSED DATES							
PRIMARY DATE	July 03		July 05				
ALTERNATE DATE							
<b>C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE</b>							
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2004			CY 2006			
	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES		6					