

September 9, 2002

Mr. William R. Kanda
Vice President - Nuclear, Perry
FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company
P. O. Box 97, A200
Perry, OH 44081

SUBJECT: REQUALIFICATION PROGRAM INSPECTION

Dear Mr. Kanda:

In a telephone conversation on September 3, 2002, Mr. Rick Collings, Training Manager, and Mr. Charles Phillips, Senior Operations Examiner, made arrangements for the NRC to inspect the licensed operator requalification program at the Perry Nuclear Power Station. The inspection is planned for the week of October 28, 2002, which coincides with your regularly scheduled requalification examination cycle. The staff at your facility should prepare and conduct the requalification examinations in accordance with your NRC-approved requalification program.

In accordance with 10 CFR 55.59(c), the NRC may request facility licensees to submit their comprehensive requalification written examinations or annual operating tests as necessary to support the NRC's inspection program needs. In order for the NRC to adequately prepare for this inspection, please furnish the written examinations and operating tests scheduled for the week of the inspection to the NRC by October 21, 2002. Mr. Collings has been advised of this request and provided with the name and address of the NRC lead inspector assigned to this inspection.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this inspection, please contact Chuck Phillips at 630-829-9739, or me at 630-829-9733.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Division of Reactor Safety

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