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**FOR THE MONTICELLO INITIAL EXAMINATION - OCT 2002**



**Northern States Power Company**

Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant  
2807 West Co. Rd. 75  
Monticello, Minnesota 55362-9637

March 16, 2000

David E. Hills  
Chief, Operating License Branch  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region III  
801 Warrenville Road  
Lisle, IL 60532-4351

Dear Mr. Hills:

The purpose of this letter is to request the scheduling of an initial operating license examination at Monticello.

We have discussed the scheduling of an initial RO and SRO examination with Mr. Del McNeil for 2002. At this time we anticipate four initial reactor operator candidates and two initial senior reactor operator candidates. We would like the examination to commence in April of 2002.

We will prepare the RO and SRO examinations at Monticello.

Please verify that you can support this schedule and send confirmation to me at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions, please call Gerard Lashinski at (612) 295-1531.

Sincerely,

Mike Hammer  
Site General Manager  
Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant

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Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant  
2807 West County Road 75  
Monticello, MN 55362-9637

Operated by Nuclear Management  
Company LLC

September 25, 2000

David E. Hills  
Chief, Operating License Branch  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region III  
801 Warrenville Road  
Lisle, IL 60532-4351

Dear Mr. Hills:

The purpose of this letter is to change our March 16, 2000 request for an initial operating license examination date at Monticello.

In our March 16, 2000 letter we requested an examination date in April of 2002. We no longer require an examination date at that time.

We now request an examination date in August of 2002. At this time we anticipate six initial reactor operator candidates and two initial senior reactor operator candidates.

We will prepare the RO and SRO examinations at Monticello.

Please verify that you can support this schedule and send confirmation to me at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions, please call Mike Mitchell at (612) 295-1569.

Sincerely,

Michael F Hammer  
Site General Manager  
Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant

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April 2, 2001

Mr. J. Morris  
Site Vice-President  
Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant  
Nuclear Management Company, LLC  
2807 West County Road 75  
Monticello, MN 55362-9637

Dear Mr. Morris:

In response to your facility letters dated March 16, 2000, and September 25, 2000, we have tentatively scheduled an initial licensing examination for your operator license applicants at the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant during the week of September 2, 2002. Validation of the examination will occur at the station during the week of July 29, 2002. In the unlikely event that we are unable to support the examination during the scheduled week, 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 your letters and confirmed in a telephone conversation between M. Mitchell, Monticello, and D. R. McNeil, NRC, on February 27, 2001, your staff will develop the examination. To support the examination administration date, we have tentatively scheduled the date of July 15, 2002, to begin our review of your submitted examination.

Please inform us at your earliest opportunity if you discover you are unable to support the examination on the scheduled dates.


Once your staff has determined a schedule for examination development, please have them contact the Chief Examiner to arrange for a suitable examination outline submittal date for NRC review. The intent is for the examination outline to be submitted early in the examination development process. This is to preclude the need to make significant changes to developed examination material as a result of the NRC review of the outline. Mr. Dell R. McNeil has been tentatively assigned as the Chief Examiner and can be reached at 630-829-9737.

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 Mr. Dell R. McNeil of my staff at 630-829-9737.

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Sincerely,



David E. Hills, Chief  
Operations Branch  
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket No. 50-263  
License No. DPR-22

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In response to the request of Regulatory Issue Summary 2000-14 "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations", the Monticello Nuclear Plant (Docket No. 50-263) submits the information requested in enclosure 1.

If you have any questions regarding this information please contact Dirk Foster, Operations Training Supervisor for Initial Training at (763)-271-2604 or [dirk.l.foster@xcelenergy.com](mailto:dirk.l.foster@xcelenergy.com).

Sincerely,



Michael A. Mitchell  
Superintendent of Operations Training.

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ATTACHMENT 1

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FACILITY Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant (Docket No.: 50-263)						NRC REGION Region III	
<b>A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE</b>							
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY01	CY02	CY03	CY04			
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	1	1	1			
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0			
<b>B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS</b>							
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY01	CY02	CY03	CY04			
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	0	6	8	5			
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	0	1	6	2			
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	0	1	1	3			
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0			
PROPOSED DATES							
PRIMARY DATE	N/A	9/2 to 9/6	7/28 to 8/1	7/27 to 7/30			
ALTERNATE DATE	N/A	N/A	12/1 to 12/5	11/30 to 12/3			
<b>C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE</b>							
PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 01			CY 02			
	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	N/A	1	7	0	0	14	

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cc D. Merrill

Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant  
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September 20, 2001

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MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT  
Docket No. 50-263 License No. DPR-22

Response to Regulatory Issue Summary 2001-17: Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations

In response to the request of Regulatory Issue Summary 2001-17, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations," the Monticello Nuclear Plant submits the information requested in Attachment 1.

Please contact Dirk Foster, Operations Training Supervisor for Initial Training, at 763-271-2604 if you require further information.

Jeffrey S. Forbes  
Site Vice President

Attachment (1)

c: Regional Administrator – III, NRC  
NRR Project Manager, NRC  
Sr. Resident Inspector, NRC  
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**OPERATOR LICENSING  
EXAMINATION DATA**

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Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant

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Region III

**A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY_02	CY_03	CY_04	CY_05
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

**B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY_02	CY_03	CY_04	CY_05
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	4	6	6	6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	2	4	4	4
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	1	2	2	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	09/02 to 09/06	Sep 03	Sep 04	Sep 05
ALTERNATE DATE	N/A	Oct 03	Oct 04	Oct 05

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

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY_02			CY_03		
	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	0	9		0	10	

May 13, 2002

Mr. J. Forbes  
Site Vice-President  
Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant  
Nuclear Management Company, LLC  
2807 West County Road 75  
Monticello, MN 55362-9637

Dear Mr. Forbes:

In a telephone conversation on May 8, 2002, between Mr. Marv Engen, Operations Training Instructor, and Mr. D. McNeil, Reactor Engineer, arrangements were made for the administration of licensing examinations at the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant the week of September 9, 2002. In addition, the NRC will make an examination validation visit to your facility the week of July 29, 2002.

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 was necessary for your staff to furnish the examination outlines by May 5, 2002. Your staff provided those outlines on May 2, 2002. The written examinations, operating tests, and the supporting reference materials identified in Attachment 2 of ES-201 will be due by July 8, 2002. Pursuant to 10 CFR 55.40(b)(3), an authorized representative of the facility licensee shall approve the outlines, examinations, and tests 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 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),

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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.

The public reporting burden for this collection is estimated to average 500 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, writing the examinations, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments on any aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Information and Records Management Branch (T-6 F33), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001, or by Internet electronic mail at BJS1@NRC.GOV; and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0018), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Mr. Engen 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 Dell McNeil at 630-829-9737, or me at 630-829-9733.

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

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Operations Branch  
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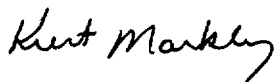
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In accordance with NUREG 1021, Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors, Revision 8, Supplement 1 enclosed for your review are the validated examination materials for the initial license examinations to be administered at our facility the week of September 9, 2002.

In accordance with NUREG 1021, ES-201, Attachment 1, "Examination Security and Integrity Guidelines," the enclosed materials are to be withheld from public disclosure until after the examinations are complete.

Attachment 1, Index of Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, 2002 Operator Licensing Examination Materials, provides a listing of the materials submitted for review in accordance with NUREG 1021 section ES-201 and Attachment 2 of ES-201, and as requested by Mr. Dell McNeil, NRC Region III, Monticello Chief Examiner.

If you have any questions regarding the enclosed information please contact Marv Engen, Operations Training Instructor, or Jerry Alex, Operations Training Instructor, at 763-295-1563 (Exam Development Room) or 763-271-2654.



Kurt Markling  
Operations Control Room Supervisor  
Operations Department Training Liaison

- Attachment 1: Index of Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, 2002 Operator Licensing Examination Materials
- Enclosure 1: Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, 2002 Operator Licensing Examination Submittal Book 1 (Examination Outlines and Quality Checklists)
- Enclosure 2: Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, 2002 Operator Licensing Examination Submittal Book 2 (Exam Bank Questions Part 1)

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- Enclosure 5: Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant, 2002 Operator Licensing Examination Submittal, Book 5 (Simulator Scenarios Bank)
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Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant  
Examination Materials Submittal

Attachment 1  
Index of Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant  
2002 Operator Licensing Examination Materials

Book 1 (Examination Outlines and Quality Checklists)

1. ES-401-1, BWR SRO Examination Outline
2. ES-401-10, Record of Rejected K/A (SRO Examination Outline)
3. ES-401-2, BWR RO Examination Outline
4. ES-401-10, Record of Rejected K/A (RO Examination Outline)
5. ES-301-1, Administrative Topics Outline (SRO examination)
6. ES-301-1, Administrative Topics Outline (RO examination)
7. ES-301-2, Control Room Systems and Facility Walk-Through Test Outline (RO/SRO examination)
8. Description of Job Performance Measure Outline Changes
9. ES-D-1, Scenario Outline, Scenario Number 1
10. ES-D-1, Scenario Outline, Scenario Number 2
11. ES-D-1, Scenario Outline, Scenario Number 3
12. Description of Simulator Scenario Outline Changes
13. ES-301-3, Operating Test Quality Checklist
14. ES-301-4, Simulator Scenario Quality Checklist
15. ES-301-5, Transient and Event Checklist
16. ES-301-6, Competencies Checklist
17. ES-401-7, Written Exam Quality Checklist (SRO Exam)
18. ES-401-7, Written Exam Quality Checklist (RO Exam)
19. List of References to be Provided for the SRO and RO Written Exams

Book 2 (Exam Bank Questions Part 1)

1. Description of Operator Licensing Written Exam Bank Contents
2. Part 1, Written Exam Bank Questions, Supporting Reference Material, and Copies of Bank Source Questions (as applicable), Questions 1 through 61 (Written Exam Bank Pages 1 through 76).

Book 3 (Exam Bank Questions Part 2)

1. Part 2, Written Exam Bank Questions, Supporting Reference Material, and Copies of Bank Source Questions (as applicable), Questions 62 through 128 (Written Exam Bank Pages 77 through 156).

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Examination Materials Submittal

Attachment 1 (Continued)  
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Book 4 (JPM Bank)

1. SRO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.1.1
2. SRO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.1.2
3. SRO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.2
4. SRO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.3
5. SRO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.4
6. RO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.1.1
7. RO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.1.2
8. RO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.2
9. RO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.3
10. RO Administrative Topics Outline Item A.4
11. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.1.a
12. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.1.b
13. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.1.c
14. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.1.d
15. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.1.e
16. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.1.f
17. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.1.g
18. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.2.a
19. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.2.b
20. SRO/RO Control System Outline Item B.2.c

Book 5 (Simulator Scenario Bank)

1. NRC Simulator Examination Scenario Number 1
2. NRC Simulator Examination Scenario Number 2
3. NRC Simulator Examination Scenario Number 3





August 19, 2002

10 CFR, Part 55

Mr. James E. Dyer  
Regional Administrator  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region III  
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**MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT**  
Docket No. 50-263      License No. DPR-22

**Request to Reschedule Reactor Operator  
And Senior Reactor Operator License Examinations**

Dear Mr. Dyer:

By letter dated August 7, 2002 Nuclear Management Company, LLC (NMC) provided the NRC Region III Staff with preliminary applications (NRC Form 398) and medical data (NRC Form 396) for each of the applicants for Reactor Operator and Senior Reactor Operator License from the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant.

At that time the Reactor Operator and Senior Reactor Operator license examinations were scheduled to be administered to the applicants at Monticello during the week of September 9, 2002.

NMC hereby requests the NRC Staff to reschedule the Reactor Operator and Senior Reactor Operator License Examinations at Monticello from the week of September 9, 2002 to the week of October 14, 2002. Please retain and continue processing the preliminary applications submitted by letter dated August 7, 2002. The final applications will be submitted 14 days prior to the rescheduled examination date.

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Cheever, General Supervisor, Operations Training at (763) 271-2629 or Doug Neve, Licensing Manager at (763) 295-1353.

Jeffrey S. Forbes  
Site Vice President  
Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant

cc: USNRC Document Control Desk  
Sr. Resident Inspector, NRC

August 22, 2002

Mr. J. Forbes  
Site Vice-President  
Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant  
Nuclear Management Company, LLC  
2807 West County Road 75  
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SUBJECT: REQUEST TO RESCHEDULE NRC INITIAL LICENSE EXAMINATION

Dear Mr. Forbes:

In a letter dated August 19, 2002, you requested that the Reactor Operator and Senior Reactor Operator license examinations scheduled during the week of September 9, 2002, be re-scheduled to the week of October 14, 2002. You also requested that we retain and continue processing the preliminary applications submitted by your letter dated August 7, 2002.

This letter is to inform you that the NRC-administered Reactor Operator and Senior Reactor Operator license examinations have been re-scheduled to the week of October 14, 2002, per your request. Region III will retain the submitted preliminary license applications per your request. All examination requirements contained in NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," Revision 8, Supplement 1, and outlined in our letter to you dated May 13, 2002, are still in effect.

If you have any questions regarding the NRC's examination procedures and guidelines, please contact Dell McNeil at 630-829-9737.

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Sincerely,

Roy J. Caniano, Acting Director  
Division of Reactor Safety

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