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Subject: Elimination of Inapplicable K/A Statements for Initial License Examination

The purpose of this letter is to submit for your review the Knowledge and Ability (K/A) statements eliminated from consideration for use on the 2003 Cooper Nuclear Station (CNS) initial license examination. The K/A statements are contained in the Knowledge and Abilities Catalog for Nuclear Power Plant Operators: Boiling Water Reactors (NUREG-1123 Revision 2).

NUREG 1021, Operator Licensing Examination Standards, Revision 8, Supplement 1, ES-401, Preparing Initial Site-Specific Written Examinations, states, "Alternatively, if the facility licensee screened the entire K/A catalog to eliminate inapplicable K/A statements before beginning the random selection process, the facility licensee should make arrangements for the NRC regional office to review the associated documentation and justification prior to submitting the examination outline." In addition, ES-401 Attachment 1, Example Systematic Sampling Methodology, states, "Review each group and delete those items (Emergency/Abnormal Plant Evolutions (E/APEs) for Tier 1 and systems for Tier 2) that clearly do not apply to the facility for which the examination is being written; be prepared to explain the basis for the deletions to the NRC chief examiner."

Based on the NUREG 1021 guidance, the following were removed from consideration due to not being applicable to CNS:

201005	Rod Control and Information System (specific to BWR 6 only)
209002	HPCS (specific to BWR 5 and 6 only)
207000	Isolation Condenser (specific to BWR 2 and 3 only)
201004	Rod Sequence Control System (CNS does not have this system/equipment)
239003	MSIV Leakage Control (CNS does not have this system/equipment)
295027	High Containment Temperature (specific to Mark III containment)
295011	High Containment Temperature (specific to Mark III containment)

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Additionally, with the methodology used, any K/A less than 2.5 in value for the specific outline will not be considered when randomly selecting K/As.

Should you have questions concerning this matter please contact Harley McDaniel at (402) 825-5766.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: Records

ATTACHMENT 3	LIST OF REGULATORY COMMITMENTS

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The following table identifies those actions committed to by Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) in this document. Any other actions discussed in the submittal represent intended or planned actions by NPPD. They are described for information only and are not regulatory commitments. Please notify the NL&S Manager at Cooper Nuclear Station of any questions regarding this document or any associated regulatory commitments.

COMMITMENT	COMMITTED DATE OR OUTAGE
None.	
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