

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

July 10, 1987

TO ALL NON-POWER REACTOR LICENSEES

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Subject: INTEGRITY OF REQUALIFICATION EXAMINATIONS AT NON-POWER REACTORS

(GENERIC LETTER 87-13)

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Associate Director for Projects

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Gentlemen:

Subject: Integrity of Requalification Examinations at Non-Power Reactors

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The purpose of this Generic Letter is to clarify the staff position concerning requalification examinations at non-power reactors. NRC recently identified several licensees who are giving take-home or on-shift requalification examinations. This is not an acceptable means for certifying individual performance, as conveyed in the guidance given in Generic Letter 83-17, issued on April 8, 1983.

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Therefore, non-power reactor licensees who used take-home or on-shift requalification examinations prior to receipt of Information Notice No. 87-22, if otherwise in accordance with NRC-approved facility operator requalification programs, will not be considered in non-conformance with the guidance of Generic Letter 83-17.

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