

March 4, 2004

Mr. Christopher M. Crane
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Exelon Generation Company, LLC
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SUBJECT: DRESDEN NUCLEAR POWER STATION
CONFIRMATION OF INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

Dear Mr. Crane:

In a letter dated September 26, 2003, your staff responded to NRC Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2003-14, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations," for all Exelon Nuclear Stations. This letter responds to the request for initial license examinations at Dresden Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2.

Initial license examinations were requested during the week of August 16, 2004, during the week of August 22, 2005, and during the week of August 21, 2006. The initial license examination scheduled for August 16, 2004, has been scheduled and a chief examiner assigned to the examination. Because of a heavy work load, the examination requested for August 2005 was rescheduled to the week of September 19, 2005, per a telephone conversation between Mr. M. Carey, Dresden Station Operations Training Manager, and Mr. D. McNeil of my staff. That examination has been scheduled and a chief examiner assigned to that examination. The examination requested for August 2006 will be scheduled as we approach that date.

On-site validation of the examinations will occur at Dresden Nuclear Power Station approximately 3 weeks before the examination administration date. In the unlikely event that we are unable to support the examination during the scheduled weeks, we will inform you immediately upon discovery of such conditions and make arrangements to administer the examinations at a mutually acceptable date.

As indicated in your RIS response letter, your staff will develop the examination. Your letter also indicated that you are training less than 10 candidates for each of the examinations. Please inform us if the number of candidates rises above 10 as this will impact the examination schedule.

A supplementary letter will be sent to the training department approximately 120 days prior to the initial examination informing them of the chief examiner's name. The letter will also outline examination security expectations, list the materials required by the NRC to conduct the examination, reconfirm the examination dates, and reconfirm the number of candidates you have in the training program. If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact Mr. C. Phillips of my staff at 630-829-9739.

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Sincerely,

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Division of Reactor Safety

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