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**SUBJECT: GRAND GULF NUCLEAR STATION - NRC INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING
EXAMINATION APPROVAL (05000416/2005-301)**

Dear Mr. Williams:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the final arrangements for the upcoming operator licensing examinations at Grand Gulf Nuclear Station.

The NRC has completed its review of the operator license applications submitted in connection with this examination and separately provided a list of approved applicants to Marvin Chase, Supervisor, Operations Training. Note that any examination waivers and applications denials have been addressed in separate correspondence.

The NRC has approved the subject examinations and hereby authorizes you to administer the written examination in accordance with Revision 9 of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," on August 22, 2005. The NRC staff will administer the operating tests during the week of August 15, 2005.

Please contact your Chief Examiner, Paul Gage, at (817) 860-8273, if you have any questions or identify any errors or changes in the license level (RO/SRO) or type of examination (partial or complete written examination and/or operating test) specified for each applicant.

Sincerely,

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