

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

FOR THE PRAIRIE ISLAND INITIAL EXAMINATION - AUGUST 2005



*cc: D. McDonald
E. Cornhill*

March 19, 2003

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**PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
DOCKET NOS. 50-282 AND 50-306
LICENSE NOS. DPR-42 AND DPR-60
VOLUNTARY RESPONSE TO REGULATORY ISSUE SUMMARY 2002-09
PREPARATION AND SCHEDULING OF OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS**

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Due to an oversight, Nuclear Management Company did not provide the voluntary response to Regulatory Issue Summary 2002-09 for Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant within the time frame requested. To ensure the NRC Staff has accurate information related to future operator licensing examinations at Prairie Island, estimates for future examination needs have been completed. The attached NRC Form 536 provides the examination estimates for the year 2005. No operator license examinations are planned for the year 2004, and examinations scheduled for September, 2003 are currently being coordinated with Region III. This letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.

Please contact Tim McDonald (651-388-1165, ext. 4032) if you have any questions related to this letter.


Joseph M. Solymossy
Site Vice President, Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant

CC Roger D. Lanksbury, USNRC, Region III
Project Manager, Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, USNRC, NRR
NRC Resident Inspector – Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant

Attachment- NRC Form 536, "Operator Licensing Examination Data"

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2003</u>	CY <u>2004</u>	CY <u>2005</u>	CY <u>2006</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS			1-RO 1-SRO	
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2003</u>	CY <u>2004</u>	CY <u>2005</u>	CY <u>2006</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS			10	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT			3	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE			3	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED			-	
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE			4/5/05	
ALTERNATE DATE			4/11/05	

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2004</u>			CY <u> </u>		
	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	13					



UNITED STATES
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July 16, 2003

Mr. Joseph Solymossy
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SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF INITIAL/REQUALIFICATION OPERATOR LICENSE
EXAMINATIONS

Dear Mr. Solymossy,

In a telephone conversation on June 17, 2003, between Mr. D. McNeil of my staff and Mr. R. Gillespie, Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Station Training Manager, it was confirmed that Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Station had no requests for initial license examinations for the calendar year 2004. Mr. McNeil and Mr. Gillespie also confirmed that the station is currently scheduled for a licensed operator requalification training program inspection (IP 71111.11B) the week of July 28, 2003.

During the conversation Mr. Gillespie stated that he would like to schedule an examination during the month of April 2005. Mr. McNeil advised him that he *should send a written request* as soon as possible to schedule the examination as we have already filled our examination schedule through March 2005. *If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact Mr. D. McNeil of my staff at 630-829-9737.*

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Sincerely,

Roger D. Lanksbury, Chief
Operations Branch

Docket Nos. 50-282, 50-306
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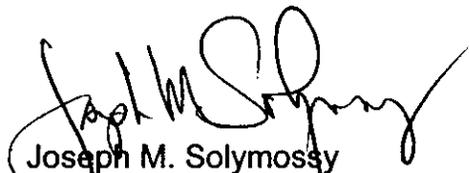
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REQUEST FOR SCHEDULING OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS**

NRC letter dated July 16, 2003, documented an earlier telephone conversation between Mr. D. McNeil, NRC, Region III and the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant (PINGP) Training Manager regarding plans for future initial license examinations. The PINGP Training Manager confirmed that there were no exams scheduled for 2004 and that our next exams are currently scheduled for April of 2005. During the conversation, Mr. McNeil advised him that a written exam request should be submitted as soon as possible to schedule the examination, as Region III has filled their schedule through March of 2005.

This letter documents a formal request that the NRC schedule an initial license examination at PINGP for April of 2005. This information was provided earlier in our letter dated March 19, 2003 and a copy of our previous NRC Form 536 is attached.

This letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.

Please contact Tim McDonald or Jim Lash (651-388-1165) if you have any questions related to this letter.



Joseph M. Solymossy
Site Vice President, Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant

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March 2, 2004

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SUBJECT: PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
CONFIRMATION OF INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

Dear Mr. Solymossy:

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 the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant. Initial license examinations were requested during the weeks of August 1 and August 8, 2005, and during the weeks of March 26 and April 2, 2007. The initial license examination requested for August 2005 has been scheduled and a chief examiner assigned during the requested weeks. The examination requested during March/April 2007 will be scheduled as we approach that date. Please inform us if the number of candidates in either of these examinations decreases below 10 as this will impact the examination schedule.

On-site validation of the examinations will occur at Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant 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 examinations. 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. D. McNeil of my staff at 630-829-9737.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RD Lanksbury". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Roger D. Lanksbury, Chief
Operations Branch
Division of Reactor Safety

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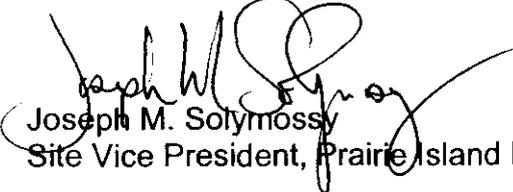
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**OPERATOR LICENSING
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NRC REGION III

A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY2004	CY2005	CY2006	CY2007
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS		10		7
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT		3		3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE		3		4
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED		-----		-----
PROPOSED DATES	N/A		N/A	
PRIMARY DATE	N/A	08/01/05--08/12/05		03/26/07 - 04/06/07
ALTERNATE DATE	N/A	07/18/05--07/29/05		04/09/07 - 04/20/07

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY2004				CY2005			
	March	June	September	December	March	June	September	December
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES		13						10



cc: R. Lankbury
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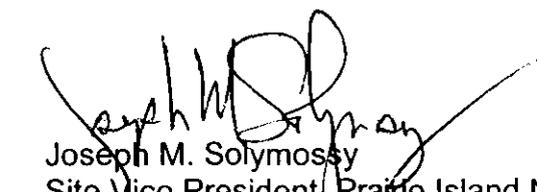
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Summary of Commitments

The letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.


Joseph M. Solymosy
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Enclosure (1)

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PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2005	CY 2006	CY 2007	CY 2008
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	0	1	0
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2005	CY 2006	CY 2007	CY 2008
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	9		7	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	2		3	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	3		4	
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	08/01/2005		08/06/2007	
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C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2005				CY 2006			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES			0	0	0	10	0	0



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April 1, 2005

Mr. Joseph Solymossy
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Dear Mr. Solymossy:

In a telephone conversation on March 30, 2005, between Mr. Bill Markham and Mr. Hironori Peterson, arrangements were made for the administration of licensing examinations at the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant the weeks of August 8 and 15, 2005. In addition, the NRC will make an examination validation visit to your facility the week of July 11, 2005.

As agreed during the telephone conversation, your staff will prepare the examinations based on the guidelines in Revision 9 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, your staff made arrangements to furnish the examination outlines on April 4, 2005. The written examinations, operating tests, and the supporting reference materials identified in Attachment 2 to ES-201 will be due by June 20, 2005. Pursuant to 10 CFR 55.40(b)(3), of the Code of Federal Regulations (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),

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 June 30, 2006. 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, 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. 20503-0001.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Mr. Markham 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 Mr. Dell McNeil at 630-829-9737, or me at 630-829-9631.

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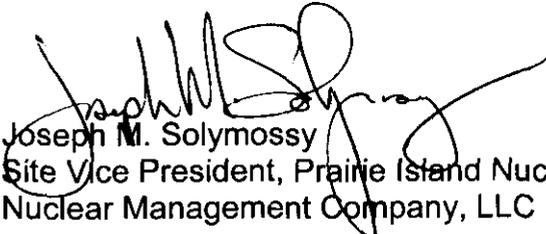
Examination Material for Prairie Island License Examination

Enclosed are the validated written examinations and supporting reference materials requested by letter dated April 1, 2005, for the license examinations to be administered at our facility the weeks of August 8 and August 15, 2005. This information is provided in accordance with guideline ES-201 of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," Revision 9. Pursuant to 10 CFR 55.40(b)(3), the enclosed examinations have been approved by our authorized representative.

NUREG-1021 physical security requirements state that the enclosed examination materials shall be withheld from public disclosure until after the examination is complete.

Summary of Commitments

This letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.



Joseph M. Solymossy
Site Vice President, Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant
Nuclear Management Company, LLC

Enclosures (2)

cc: Dell McNeil (NRC Chief Examiner) with enclosures
Hironori Peterson, without enclosures

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Enclosure 1 – Prairie Island 2005 NRC Exam RO/SRO Written Examination

- 2005 NRC RO Outline Information (8 pages)
- 2005 NRC SRO Outline Information (6 pages)
- Form ES-401-4, Record of Rejected K/As (2 pages)
- Form ES-401-6, Written Examination Quality Checklist (1 page)
- Form ES-401-7, Site Specific RO Written Examination cover sheet (1 page)
- RO Examination ready to give with included references (79 pages)
- RO Examination Key with supporting references (448 pages)
- Form ES-401-8, Site Specific SRO Written Examination cover sheet (1 page)
- SRO Examination ready to give with included references (35 pages)
- SRO Examination Key with supporting references (188 pages)

Enclosure 2 – Prairie Island 2005 NRC Operating Examination

- Form ES-301-3, Operating Exam Quality Checklist (1 page)
- Form ES-301-4, Simulator Scenario Quality Checklist (4 pages)
- Form ES-301-5, Transient and Event Checklist (4 pages)
- Form ES-301-6, Competencies Checklist (4 pages)
- Form ES-D-1, Scenario Outline (4 pages)
- JPMs (254 pages)
- Simulator Scenarios (87 pages)



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July 27, 2005

Mr. Thomas J. Palmisano
Site Vice-President
Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant
Nuclear Management Company, LLC
1717 Wakonade Drive East
Welch, MN 55089

SUBJECT: OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATION APPROVAL

Dear Mr. Palmisano:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the final arrangements for the upcoming operator licensing examinations at the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant.

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has completed its review of the operator license applications in connection with this examination and will separately provide a list of approved applicants to Mr. James D. Lash, Training Manager. Note that any examination waivers have been addressed in separate correspondence.

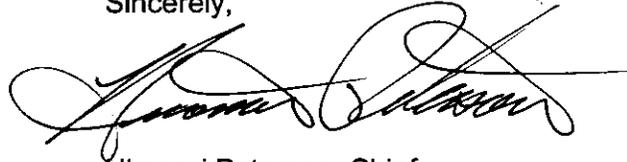
The NRC has approved the subject examinations and hereby authorizes you to administer the written examinations in accordance with Revision 9 of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," during the week of August 8, 2005, or the week of August 15, 2005. The NRC staff will administer the operating tests during the weeks of August 8 and August 15, 2005.

Please contact Mr. Dell R. McNeil at 630-829-9737, if you have any questions or identify any errors or changes in the license level (RO or SRO) or type of examination (partial or complete written examination and/or operating test) specified for each applicant.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access

and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the Electronic Reading Room page of the NRC's public Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hironori Peterson', written in a cursive style.

Hironori Peterson, Chief
Operations Branch
Division of Reactor Safety

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Facility Recommendations for Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant (PINGP) Reactor Operator (RO) and Senior Reactor Operator (SRO) License Examination Changes

Nuclear Management Company, LLC (NMC) has completed its grading and review of the RO and SRO license written examinations conducted the weeks of August 8 and August 15, 2005 at PINGP. The grading and review was performed in accordance with NUREG-1021, ES-403, "Grading Initial Site-Specific Written Examinations" and as a result we recommend deleting one question and changing three questions on the RO exam.

Attached to this letter are the facility recommendations describing the recommended examination changes with associated references.

Summary of Commitments

This letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.

Thomas J. Palmisano
Site Vice President, Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant

Enclosure (1)

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Hironori Peterson, USNRC, Region III, w/o enclosure

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