

January 20, 2006

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SUBJECT: SENIOR REACTOR AND REACTOR OPERATOR INITIAL EXAMINATIONS -
(CALVERT CLIFFS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT)

Dear Mr. Spina:

In a telephone conversation on January 5, 2006, between Mr. John Caruso, Chief Examiner, and Messrs. Robert Pace, General Supervisor for Operations Training, Kenneth Allor, Initial License Training Supervisor, and the principal site contacts for this examination, Nick Lavato, Supervisor Requalification Training and Michael Wasem, Exam Development Lead, arrangements were made for the administration of licensing examinations at Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant during the week of August 28, 2006.

As agreed during the telephone conversation, the NRC will prepare the written and operating examinations based on the guidelines in Revision 9 of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors."

To meet the above schedule, the supporting reference materials identified in Attachment 2 of ES-201 will be due by April 5, 2006. Specific additions/deletions from Attachment 2 of ES-201 should be coordinated through Brian Haagensen, written exam author. We will provide your staff the final written exam by June 8, 2006 and the operating exam by July 17, 2006. Any delay in receiving the required reference materials may cause the examination to be rescheduled. We request that any personal, proprietary, sensitive unclassified, or safeguards information in your response be contained in a separate enclosure and marked appropriately.

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.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Mr. Lavato 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. John Caruso at (610) 337-5389, or me at (610) 337-5183.

Sincerely,

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