

June 11, 2007

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SUBJECT: PERRY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT  
INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATION RE-TAKE WRITTEN  
EXAMINATION

Dear Mr. Pearce:

In a telephone conversation on May 23, 2007, between Mr. D. Zielenski, License Training Instructor, and Mr. D. McNeil, Senior Operations Engineer, arrangements were made for the administration of a re-take examination at Perry Nuclear Power Plant during the week of August 6, 2007.

As agreed during the telephone conversation, your staff will prepare the re-take examination based on the guidelines in Revision 9 of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors." The NRC's regional office will discuss with your staff any changes that might be necessary before the examinations are administered. To meet the above schedule, it was necessary for your staff to furnish the examination outlines by June 4, 2007, which they have completed. The written re-take examination and supporting reference materials identified in Attachment 2 to ES-201 will be due by July 2, 2007. Pursuant to Title 10, Section 55.40(b)(3), of the Code of Federal Regulations, 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. We request that any personal, proprietary, sensitive unclassified, or safeguards information in your response be contained in a separate enclosure and appropriately marked. Any delay in receiving the required examination and reference materials, or the submission of inadequate or incomplete materials, may cause the examinations to be rescheduled.

Appendix E to NUREG-1021 contains a number of NRC policies and guidelines that will be in effect while the written examinations is 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 (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. Zielinski 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. D. McNeil at (630) 829-9737 or me at (630) 839-9707.

Sincerely,

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