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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: REACTOR OPERATOR AND SENIOR REACTOR OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS
EXAMINATION REPORT NO. 50-390/94-301

The purpose of this letter is to confirm arrangements made in a telephone conversation on December 29, 1993, between Mr. Sam McNair, Watts Bar Operations Training Manager, and Mr. Stephen Cahill, License Examiner, NRC Region II Operator Licensing Section, for the administration of licensing examinations at the Watts Bar Nuclear Plant. These licensing examinations will consist of only the walkthrough portion of the operating examination and will be administered to the individuals who did not receive walkthrough exams during the examination conducted in July of 1993. The walkthrough portion of the operating examination was not administered during that examination. The examinations are scheduled for the week of March 21, 1994. An examination preparation visit will be conducted the week of March 14, 1994. Your staff will be given an opportunity to review the licensing examinations in accordance with the guidelines in Revision 7 of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examiner Standards," (ES-201, Attachment 4) during the week of March 14, 1993.

The NRC will prepare and administer the operating tests in accordance with ES-301 and ES-302 of NUREG-1021. In order to conduct the requested operating tests, it will be necessary for your staff to make the simulation facility available on the dates noted above. 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. ES-302, Attachment 1, contains a number of NRC policies and guidelines that will be in effect while the operating tests are being administered.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Mr. Sam McNair 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. Lawrence L. Lawyer, Chief, Operator Licensing Section, at (404) 331-4700, or myself at (404) 331-5541.

Sincerely,

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