

EXAMINATION COVER LETTER AND CHECKLIST(S)
FOR THE MONTICELLO RETAKE EXAM - OCTOBER 2007

August 22, 2007

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10 CFR Part 55.40

Regional Administrator, Region III
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
2443 Warrenville Road, Suite 210
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Attention: Dell McNeil

Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant
Docket 50-263
License No. DPR-22

Initial Licensing Re-Examination To Be Conducted The Week of October 1, 2007

Reference 1: NMC letter to USNRC, "Request for Re-Application of Individual for Operator License at the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant," dated March 21, 2007
2: NUREG 1021, Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors, Revision 9

On March 21, 2007, the Nuclear Management Company, LLC (NMC) requested a re-examination of an individual who did not pass the initial license examination. In accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 55.40(b)(4), NMC requests NRC approval of the proposed written examination for the Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant (MNGP). Further, 10CFR55.40(a) requires that examinations meet the requirements of Reference 2. Therefore, enclosed for your review are the proposed examination materials for the initial license re-examination for the operator license applicant.

In accordance with 10CFR 55.49, "Integrity of Examinations and Tests" and Reference 2, Section ES-201, Attachment 1, "Examination Security and Integrity Guidelines," the Nuclear Management Company, LLC requests that the enclosed materials be withheld from public disclosure until after the examinations are complete.

The proposed examination materials were prepared per the guidelines of Reference 2, sections ES-401. Due to a change in the outline, a revised NRC Form ES-401-4 is enclosed. The proposed examination materials have been prepared by the Monticello facility for one (1) Senior Reactor Operator (SRO) – Upgrade license candidate.

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Enclosed are the following items for your review:

- Book 1 - ES-401-8, SRO written exam
- Book 2 - ES-401-6, SRO written exam key and reference
- Book 3 - SRO written exam reference materials provided to candidates
- Book 4 - Revised ES-401-4 form
- Book 5 - Copy of ES-201-3, Copy Examination Security Form

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



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Enclosures

cc: Administrator, Region III, USNRC (w/o attachments)
Project Manager, Monticello, USNRC (w/o attachments)
Resident Inspector, Monticello, USNRC (w/o attachments)

Facility: <u>Monticello</u>		Date of Exam: <u>10-3-07</u>		Exam Level: RO <input type="checkbox"/> SRO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Item Description	Initial					
	a	b*	c*			
1. Questions and answers are technically accurate and applicable to the facility.	B	4	sm			
2. a. NRC K/As are referenced for all questions. b. Facility learning objectives are referenced as available.	B	4	sm			
3. SRO questions are appropriate in accordance with Section D.2.d of ES-401	B	4	sm			
4. The sampling process was random and systematic (If more than 4 RO or 2 SRO questions were repeated from the last 2 NRC licensing exams, consult the NRR OL program office).			sm			
5. Question duplication from the license screening/audit exam was controlled as indicated below (check the item that applies) and appears appropriate: ___ the audit exam was systematically and randomly developed; or ___ the audit exam was completed before the license exam was started; or ___ the examinations were developed independently; or X the licensee certifies that there is no duplication; or ___ other (explain)	B	4	sm			
6. Bank use meets limits (no more than 75 percent from the bank, at least 10 percent new, and the rest new or modified); enter the actual RO / SRO-only question distribution(s) at right.	Bank '2	Modified '1	New '22	B	4	sm
7. Between 50 and 60 percent of the questions on the RO exam are written at the comprehension/ analysis level; the SRO exam may exceed 60 percent if the randomly selected K/As support the higher cognitive levels; enter the actual RO / SRO question distribution(s) at right.	Memory '6	C/A '19		B	4	sm
8. References/handouts provided do not give away answers or aid in the elimination of distractors.	B	4	sm			
9. Question content conforms with specific K/A statements in the previously approved examination outline and is appropriate for the tier to which they are assigned; deviations are justified.	B	4	sm			
10. Question psychometric quality and format meet the guidelines in ES Appendix B.	B	4	sm			
11. The exam contains the required number of one-point, multiple choice items; the total is correct and agrees with the value on the cover sheet.	B	4	sm			
Printed Name / Signature		Date				
a. Author	<u>Roman Becker</u>	<u>Roman Becker</u>	<u>8-16-07</u>			
b. Facility Reviewer (*)	<u>Ron McGowan</u>	<u>Ron McGowan</u>	<u>8-21-07</u>			
c. NRC Chief Examiner (#)	<u>Deil McNeil</u>	<u>Deil McNeil</u>	<u>9/5/07</u>			
d. NRC Regional Supervisor	<u>AP Hironon Peterson</u>	<u>AP Hironon Peterson</u>	<u>9/24/07</u>			
Note: * The facility reviewer's initials/signature are not applicable for NRC-developed examinations. # Independent NRC reviewer initial items in Column "c"; chief examiner concurrence required.						