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Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant
Updated Response to Regulatory Issue Summary 2008-16
Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On June 27, 2008, the NRC issued Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2008-16, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations." RIS 2008-16 requested that addressees voluntarily submit estimates regarding operator licensing examinations.

In the enclosure to this letter, Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) provides an update of the requested information for the Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant (FNP). The enclosed NRC Form 536 supersedes the operator exam information included in the RIS 2008-16 response letter submitted August 7, 2008.

The provided estimates are not commitments and may change. If you have any questions, please advise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark J. Ajluni". The signature is written in a cursive style.

M. J. Ajluni
Manager, Nuclear Licensing

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Enclosure: NRC Form 536 Operator Licensing Examination Data for FNP

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**Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant
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Enclosure

NRC Form 536 Operator Licensing Examination Data for FNP

OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATION DATA

Estimated burden per response to comply with this voluntary information collection request: 1 hour. This information collection is used to plan budgets and resources for operator examinations. Send comments regarding burden estimate to the Records and FOIA/Privacy Services Branch (T-5F53), U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001 or by internet email to infocollects@nrc.gov, and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0131), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.

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| FACILITY <h3 style="text-align: center;">Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant Units 1 & 2</h3> | NRC REGION <h3 style="text-align: center;">II</h3> |
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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

| PROPOSED NUMBER | CY <u>2009</u> | CY <u>2010</u> | CY <u>2011</u> | CY <u>2012</u> |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS | | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS | | | | |

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

| PROPOSED NUMBER | CY <u>2009</u> | CY <u>2010</u> | CY <u>2011</u> | CY <u>2012</u> |
|--|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS | | Exam 1: 6 Exam 2: 6 | 6 | 6 |
| NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT | | Exam 1: 8 Exam 2: 8 | 8 | 8 |
| NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE | | Exam 1: 1 Exam 2: 1 | 1 | 1 |
| NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED | | | | |
| PROPOSED DATES | | | | |
| PRIMARY DATE | | 03/01/2010 11/01/2010 | 10/31/2011 | 10/29/2012 |
| ALTERNATE DATE | | 03/08/2010 11/08/2010 | 11/07/2011 | 11/05/2012 |

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

| PROPOSED NUMBER | CY <u>2009</u> | | | | CY <u>2010</u> | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|------|-----------|----------|----------------|------|-----------|----------|
| | MARCH | JUNE | SEPTEMBER | DECEMBER | MARCH | JUNE | SEPTEMBER | DECEMBER |
| ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES | | | 14 | | | | 14 | |