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Facility:	Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit 1
Location:	Oswego, NY
Date:	3/3/2009
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Enclosure

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

ER 05000220/2009301; March 3, 2009; Nine Mile Point Nuclear Generating Station Unit 1, Operator Licensing Retake Examination Report.

NRC examiners evaluated the competency of four retake applicants, consisting of one reactor operator, two instant senior reactor operators, and one upgrade senior reactor operator, for licenses at Nine Mile Point Unit 1. The facility licensee developed the retake examination (simulator portion) using NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," Revision 9, Supplement 1. Two NRC examiners administered the examination on March 3, 2009. The four applicants satisfied the requirements of 10 CFR Part 55, and the appropriate licenses have been issued.

A. NRC-Identified and Self-Revealing Findings

No findings of significance were identified.

B. Licensee-Identified Violations

None.

REPORT DETAILS

4. OTHER ACTIVITIES (OA)

4OA5 Other Activities (Retake Operator License Examination)

.1 License Applications

a. Scope

The examiner reviewed four license reapplications submitted by the licensee to ensure the applications reflected that the applicants satisfied relevant eligibility requirements. The applications were submitted on NRC Form 398, “Personal Qualification Statement,” and NRC Form 396, “Certification of Medical Examination by Facility Licensee.”

b. Findings

No findings of significance were identified.

.2 Operator Knowledge and Performance

a. Examination Scope

Two NRC examiners administered the retake examination (simulator portion) to the applicants on March 3, 2009. The retake examination consisted of two scenarios for each applicant.

b. Findings

All applicants passed the retake examination.

.3 Initial Licensing Examination Development

a. Examination Scope

The facility licensee developed the examination in accordance with NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," Revision 9, Supplement 1. All licensee facility training and operations staff involved in examination preparation and validation were listed on a security agreement. The facility licensee submitted examination materials on the schedule agreed to with the Chief Examiner. The Chief Examiner approved the initial examination outline and advised the licensee to proceed with the operating examination development. The Chief Examiner reviewed the draft examination package against the requirements of the Examination Standards and determined that the examination was within the range of acceptability expected for a proposed examination.

The facility licensee satisfactorily completed comment resolution prior to administration of the examination.

b. Findings

No findings of significance were identified.

.4 Simulation Facility Performance

a. Examination Scope

The examiner observed simulator performance with regard to plant fidelity during the examination validation and administration.

b. Findings

No findings of significance were identified.

.5 Examination Security

a. Examination Scope

The examiner reviewed examination security for examination development and examination administration week for compliance with Examination Standards requirements. Plans for simulator security and applicant control were reviewed and discussed with licensee personnel.

b. Findings

No findings of significance were identified.

4OA6 Meetings, Including Exit

The examiner discussed examination development and administration and applicant performance with Mr. Robert Brown, General Supervisor of Operations Training, on March 10, 2009. Exam results and license numbers were also provided during this call.

The facility licensee did not identify any information or materials used during the examination as proprietary.

ATTACHMENT: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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KEY POINTS OF CONTACT

Licensee Personnel

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ITEMS OPENED, CLOSED, AND DISCUSSED

Opened

NONE

Opened and Closed

NONE

Discussed

NONE

ADAMS DOCUMENTS REFERENCED

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