

September 4, 2009

Mr. Kevin Bronson
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SUBJECT: REQUALIFICATION PROGRAM INSPECTION
 (PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION)

Dear Mr. Bronson:

In a telephone conversation on August 9, 2009, Mr. Gilbert Johnson, Operations Engineer, and Mr. Vincent Fallacaro, Training Manager, made arrangements for the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to inspect the licensed operator requalification program at the Pilgrim facility. The inspection is planned for the weeks of October 5 and October 12, 2009, which coincides with your regularly scheduled requalification examination cycle. The staff at your facility should prepare and conduct the requalification examinations in accordance with your NRC-approved requalification program.

In accordance with 10 CFR 55.59(c), the NRC may request facility licensees to submit their biennial comprehensive requalification written examinations or annual operating tests as necessary to support the NRC's inspection program needs. In order for the NRC to adequately prepare for this inspection, please furnish: 1) an index or summary of condition reports written in the past two years in which licensed operator errors were determined to be the root or contributing cause; 2) an index or summary of condition reports written in the past two years on simulator performance problems; 3) the first and last written exams administered in 2008 and 4) the examination schedule, sample plan, and operating test scheduled for the first week of the inspection to the NRC by September 28, 2009. Mr. Fallacaro has been advised of this request and provided with the name and address of the NRC lead inspector assigned to this inspection.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this inspection, please contact Gilbert Johnson at the numbers provided to Mr. Fallacaro, or to me at (610) 337-5046.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Samuel L. Hansell, Jr., Chief
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