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DRAFT REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SEABROOK STATION, UNIT NO. 1

LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST

OPERATIONS MANAGER QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

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By letter dated March 16, 2010 (Agencywide Document Access and Management System Accession No. ML100810098), Exelon Generation Company (Exelon or the licensee) requested an amendment to the Technical Specifications (TSs) for the Seabrook Station, Unit No. 1 (Seabrook Station, Unit No. 1). Specifically, the requested amendment would reduce the requirements for the Operations Manager by allowing certification for equivalent knowledge in lieu of having held a senior operators license. To complete its review, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Staff needs the following information.

1. 10 CFR 50.54 requires that the licensee designate individuals to be responsible for directing the licensed activities of licensed operators. These individuals shall be licensed as senior operators pursuant to part 55 of that chapter. Clarify if the possibility exists that, due to delegation of authority, the Operations Manager would be directing licensed activities of the Shift Managers or other licensed operations personnel. If it is possible that the Operations Manager may be in a situation where he directing licensed activities, please clarify how this situation would be handled in the event that the Operations manager did not hold a senior operator license.

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