



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
REGION IV  
1600 EAST LAMAR BLVD  
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November 19, 2012

Mr. Edward D. Halpin  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Nuclear Officer  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
Diablo Canyon Power Plant  
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SUBJECT: DIABLO CANYON NUCLEAR POWER PLANT - NRC INITIAL OPERATOR  
LICENSING EXAMINATION APPROVAL 05000275/2012302;  
05000323/2012302

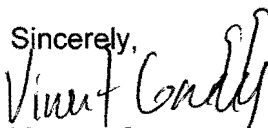
Dear Mr. Halpin:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the final arrangements for the upcoming operator licensing examinations at Diablo Canyon Power Plant.

The NRC has completed its review of the operator license applications submitted in connection with this examination and separately provided a list of approved applicants to Ron Fortier, Senior Instructor. Note that any examination waivers and application denials have been addressed in separate correspondence.

The NRC has approved the subject examinations and hereby authorizes you to administer the written examination in accordance with NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," Revision 9, Supplement 1, on November 21, 2012. The NRC staff will administer the operating tests during the week of November 26 through December 3, 2012. This examination has undergone extensive review by my staff and representatives responsible for licensed operator training at your facility. Based on this review, I have concluded that the examination meets the guidelines of NUREG-1021 for content, operational, and discrimination validity. By administering this examination, you also agree that it meets NUREG-1021 guidelines, and is appropriate for measuring the qualifications of licensed operator applicants at your facility. If you determine that this examination is not appropriate for licensing operators at your facility, do not administer the examination and contact me at (817) 200-1159.

Please contact your Chief Examiner, Steve Garchow, at (817) 200-1426, if you have any questions or identify any errors or changes in the license level (RO or SRO) or type of examination (partial or complete written examination and/or operating test) specified for each applicant.

Sincerely,  
  
Vincent Gaddy, Chief  
Operations Branch  
Division of Reactor Safety

Dockets: 50-275; 50-323  
Licenses: DPR-80; DPR-82

Enclosure: ES-201-4

cc w/enclosure:  
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