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Dear Sir:

Subject: **Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)
Units 1, 2 and 3
Docket Nos. STN 50/528/529/530
Response to Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2013-06,
Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations**

This letter provides the Arizona Public Service Company voluntary response to RIS 2013-06, Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations. Enclosed with this letter is NRC Form 536, which provides the proposed schedule of operator licensing examinations at PVNGS for calendar years 2015 through 2018.

There are no commitments made to the NRC by this letter.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mark McGhee, Operations Support Manager, Regulatory Affairs, at (623) 393-4972.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data

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Enclosure

NRC Form 536

Operator Licensing Examination Data

**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 Information Services Branch (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by internet e-mail to Infocollects.Resource@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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Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station
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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2015</u>	CY <u>2016</u>	CY <u>2017</u>	CY <u>2018</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	0	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2015</u>	CY <u>2016</u>	CY <u>2017</u>	CY <u>2018</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	12	12		12
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	8	6		6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	4	6		6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED				
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	04/13/2015	10/31/2016		04/16/2018
ALTERNATE DATE				

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>2015</u>				CY <u>2016</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	25				25			