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August 12, 2013

Mr. Tom E. Tynan
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SUBJECT: REQUALIFICATION PROGRAM INSPECTION – VOGTLE ELETRIC GENERATING PLANT
UNITS 1 AND 2

Dear Mr. Tynan:

In a telephone conversation on August 8, 2013, Mr. Richard S. Baldwin, Senior Operations Engineer, and Michael Donithan, Operations Engineer, made arrangements with Mr. John Acree, Nuclear Operations Training Supervisor, and Mr. Kyle Johns, Nuclear Operations Lead Training Instructor, for the NRC to inspect the licensed operator requalification program at Vogtle Electric Generating Plants Units 1 & 2. The inspection is planned for the week of September 9, 2013, 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. It is our understanding that you have committed to maintain your plant-referenced simulator in accordance with ANSI/ANS-3.5-1985, "American National Standard for Nuclear Power Plant Simulators for Use in Operator Training and Examination."

In accordance with 10 CFR 55.59, the NRC has requested that you submit by August 26, 2013, the material as specified in paragraph "A" of the Enclosure, in order to support the NRC's inspection program needs. The NRC has further requested that you have all items as specified in paragraph "B" of the Enclosure available for review for the inspectors on the first day they arrive on site. Mr. Acree and Mr. Johns have been advised of this request and have been 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 Mr. Richard S. Baldwin at (404) 997-4642, (Internet E-mail: richard.baldwin@nrc.gov), or me at (404) 997-4436, (Internet E-mail: mark.franke@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

/RA/

Mark E. Franke, Chief
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The items listed below are being requested per telephone conversation on August 8, 2013 to support the upcoming IP-71111.11B inspection in September at Vogtle. Items in paragraph "A" are to be sent prior to the inspection. They must be received in our office by August 26, 2013. Please have the items listed in paragraph "B" ready for our review upon arrival on September 9, 2013

A. In-office inspection material:

1. Complete list of all licensed individuals (active and inactive; RO and SRO), including license restrictions
2. Copy of an organizational chart for the operations and training departments including the simulator group
3. Copy of the weekly schedules for the weeks that the 2013 annual operating exams will be administered, including a list of personnel scheduled for testing the week of September 9, 2013
4. A copy of the written exams (all weeks) that were administered for the last biennial requalification exam, including all biennial re-take exams
5. Copies of the simulator scenarios and JPMs (simulator and in-plant) that have already been administered and that will be administered the week of September 9, 2013 (exam security related item)
6. Self-assessment reports, condition reports, and LERs resulting from human performance errors since the last requalification inspection
7. A copy of the governing site procedure(s) for the conduct of license operator requalification training (classroom and simulator) and exam development/administration
8. A copy of the governing site procedure(s) for the simulator fidelity which includes all the testing requirements used to fulfill ANSI/ANS-3.5-1985 requirements

B. On-site inspection material:

1. Requalification training attendance records for the current two year requalification training cycle
2. Exam results since last requalification inspection (weekly operating & written exams), copies of exams that had pass/failure rates significantly outside the average
3. Simulator scenarios and JPMs (in-plant and simulator) that have been or will be administered for this requalification exam (exam security related item)
4. All training feedback forms since the last requalification inspection

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5. All remedial training packages since the last requalification inspection
6. A list of all personnel that reactivated their licenses since the last requalification inspection
7. Security badge and HP printouts for all personnel that reactivated their licenses since the last requalification inspection (Records shall support verification of time on shift under instruction and complete plant tours for both the reactivating operator and the supervising active license for the time on shift as well as the plant tour.)
8. Records for maintenance of active licenses - time on shift 56/60 hrs/qtr since the last requalification inspection
9. All medical exam records
10. Copies of the reference list for all administrative procedures which direct the training process, including development of training and test materials, remedial training, modifications, plant and industry experience
11. Simulator:
 - List of all open simulator discrepancies (DR's)
 - Copy of the Simulator Management and Configuration Procedures
 - List of all closed simulator DR's for last 12 months
 - List of Simulator Performance tests
 - Simulator Testing Documentation
12. Security procedures for the simulator
13. Program evaluation for the previous 2 years training cycle