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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Duane Arnold Energy Center
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Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations

As requested by your staff, the enclosure to this letter provides NextEra Energy Duane Arnold's proposed schedule of examinations that we intend to prepare and the estimated number of applicants to be tested in our site examinations and generic fundamentals examinations in calendar years 2017 through 2019.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Clay Hill, Training Manager at (319) 851-8152.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. A. Vehec".

T. A. Vehec
Vice President, Duane Arnold Energy Center
NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC

cc: Branch Chief, Operator Licensing, USNRC, Region III
Resident Inspector, USNRC, Duane Arnold Energy Center
~~NRC Document Control Desk~~

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**OPERATOR LICENSING
EXAMINATION DATA**

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	<u>CY 2016</u>	<u>CY 2017</u>	<u>CY 2018</u>	<u>CY 2019</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS		1		1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	<u>CY 2016</u>	<u>CY 2017</u>	<u>CY 2018</u>	<u>CY 2019</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS		4		4
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT		7		6
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE		2		2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED				
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE		6/5/2017		5/13/2019
ALTERNATE DATE				

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	<u>CY 2017</u>				<u>CY _____</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES			10					