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As a result of the subject inspection conducted August 24-27, 1992, two weaknesses were identified:

1. It was not clear that requalification examinations administered after each training segment met the requirement of 10 CFR 55.59(a)(2).
2. Lower tier procedures were not available to implement the provisions of the Employee Training and Qualifications System Manual resulting in many inconsistencies in program administration.

As a result of these identified weaknesses, the following actions have occurred:

1. The licensed operator requalification program has been revised as follows:

The requalification written examinations were changed from segmented examinations to annual written comprehensive examinations. These examinations will consist of both Part A and Part B examinations. Approximately 80 percent of each examination will be devoted to material in the preceding 12 months with the balance of the examination on material covered during the time period 12-24 months prior to the examination.

Annual written comprehensive examinations will commence at the conclusion of the current requalification cycle; presently scheduled for July 12, 1993. Segmented exams were discontinued at the conclusion of the previous cycle in August, 1992.

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This change is consistent with the telephone conversation between Mr. Paul Stovall and Mr. L. Lawyer that was held on September 24, 1992 during which this change was communicated.

2. Lower tier implementing procedures will be developed and implemented as follows:
 - a. Lower tier procedures will be developed and implemented for licensed operator continuing training and simulator configuration management by April 1, 1993.
 - b. Lower tier procedures will be developed and implemented by December 31, 1993 for the following areas:

Tracking
STA initial and continuing training
Licensed operator initial training
Non-licensed operator initial training
Non-licensed operator continuing training

These actions will resolve the weaknesses identified by the subject NRC inspection report.

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