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Watts Bar Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2
Facility Operating License No. NPF-90 and NPF-96
NRC Docket Nos. 50-390 and 50-391

Subject: **Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2016-09 - Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations**

Reference: NRC RIS 2016-09, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations," dated June 16, 2016

Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2016-09 requested information regarding Watts Bar Nuclear Plant's (WBN's) projected operator licensing examination schedules and the estimated number of applicants. The enclosure to this letter addresses the NRC's request and provides an estimate of the examination requirements for WBN on NRC Form 536.

There are no new regulatory commitments in this letter. Should you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Walter Smith, Operations Training Manager at (423) 365-8081 or Gordon Arent, Director of Watts Bar Site Licensing at (423) 365-2004.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Simmons', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Paul Simmons
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Enclosure: NRC Form 536 - Operator Licensing Examination Data

cc (Enclosure):

NRC Project Manager - Watts Bar Nuclear Plant
NRC Regional Administrator - Region II

cc: w/o Enclosure

NRC Senior Resident Inspector

Enclosure

**NRC Form 536
Operator Licensing Examination Data**

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**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 FOIA, Privacy, and Information Collections Branch (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC20555-0001, or by 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.

FACILITY	NRC REGION
Watts Bar Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2	II

A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	<u>CY 2018</u>	<u>CY 2019</u>	<u>CY 2020</u>	<u>CY 2021</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	0	1	0
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	<u>CY 2018</u>	<u>CY 2019</u>	<u>CY 2020</u>	<u>CY 2021</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	10	0	7	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	6	0	7	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	2	0	2	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	07/2018	NA	07/2020	NA
ALTERNATE DATE	09/2018	NA	09/2020	NA

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	<u>CY 2017</u>		<u>CY 2018</u>	
	MARCH	SEPTEMBER	MARCH	SEPTEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	0	0	0	18