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**SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION
RESPONSE TO NRC REGULATORY ISSUE
SUMMARY 2016-09 "PREPARATION AND SCHEDULING
OF OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS"
PLA-7519**

**Docket No. 50-387
and 50-388**

*Reference 1: NRC RIS 2016-09, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations,"
dated June 16, 2016.*

The purpose of this letter is to respond to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regulatory Issue Summary 2016-09 "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations" (Reference 1). Enclosed in the NRC Form 536 (Enclosure 1) representing the current plan for operator licensing needs at the Susquehanna Steam Electric Station.

Susquehanna Nuclear, LLC will support Region I to balance examiner workload and provide mutually agreeable exam schedules through 2021. Susquehanna Nuclear, LLC intends to prepare all license operator examinations during this period.

Should you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Mr. Jason Jennings, Manager – Nuclear Regulatory Affairs at (570) 542-3155.

This submittal contains no new regulatory commitments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. J. Franssen", written in a cursive style.

R. J. Franssen

Enclosure 1: NRC Form 536

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Mr. J. E. Greives, NRC Sr. Resident Inspector
Ms. T. E. Hood, NRC Project Manager
Mr. M. Shields, PA DEP/BRP

Enclosure 1 to PLA-7519

NRC Form 536



**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.

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A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

| PROPOSED NUMBER | CY <u>18</u> | CY <u>19</u> | CY <u>20</u> | CY <u>21</u> |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS | 0 | 0 | | 0 |

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

| PROPOSED NUMBER | CY <u>18</u> | CY <u>19</u> | CY <u>20</u> | CY <u>21</u> |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS | 5 | 8 | | 8 |
| NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT | 8 | 6 | | 6 |
| NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE | 0 | 2 | | 2 |
| NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED | 0 | 0 | | 0 |
| PROPOSED DATES | | | | |
| PRIMARY DATE | 02/26/2018 | 08/19/2019 | | 08/23/2021 |
| ALTERNATE DATE | 03/05/2018 | 08/26/2019 | | 08/30/2021 |

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

| PROPOSED NUMBER | CY <u>17</u> | | CY <u>18</u> | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| | MARCH | SEPTEMBER | MARCH | SEPTEMBER |
| ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES | | | 14 | |