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Docket No. 50-220

Mr. B. Ralph Sylvia  
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Dear Mr. Sylvia:

SUBJECT: EXAMINATION REPORT NO. 50-220/92-14 (OL)

During the week of June 8, 1992, the NRC administered initial examinations to employees of your company who had applied for licenses to operate the Nine Mile Point 1 facility. The licensed operator training program is one of the key elements that ensures the continued health and safety of the general public. At the conclusion of the examinations, the preliminary findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

The test results indicate that eight of nine applicants passed the examination and were well prepared for the examinations. Your staff is commended for their cooperation during the examination preparation and administration. Section 3.0 of the enclosed report contains additional details of the applicants performance and the NRC Examiners' observations.

As similarly noted in a recent Nine Mile Point-2 examinations and for this examination, it appeared that Senior Reactor Operator level of knowledge on plant systems and their ability to predict system response as a result of component malfunctions was markedly greater than that of the Reactor Operator level of knowledge. After considerable review of both examinations, it appears this situation is related to the quality of the reference training material. As noted in Examination Report No. 50-410/92-06, we plan a meeting in the near future with your staff to discuss this matter.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Should you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Richard Conte at (215) 337-5210.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Examination Report No. 50-220/92-14(OL) w/Attachments 1 - 5

Attachments:

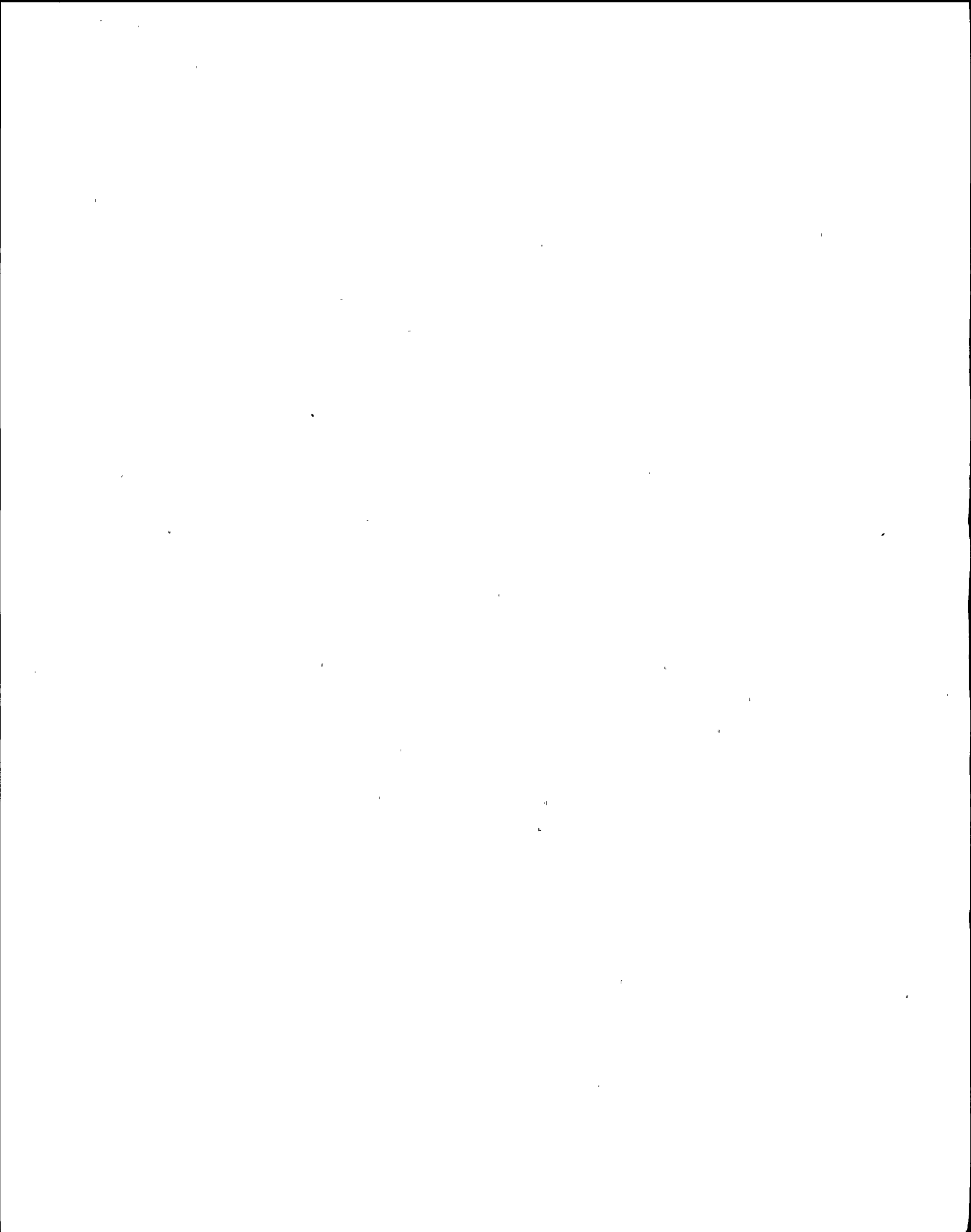
1. RO Examination and Answer Key
2. SRO Examination and Answer Key
3. Facility Comments on Written Examination (w/o references) and NRC resolution
4. Simulator Facility Report
5. Exit Attendees

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