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SUBJECT: Forwards initial licensing exam insp rept 50-397/98-301
 conducted on 981102-06.Insp included evaluation of four
 reactor operator license applicants & eight senior reactor
 operator license applicants.

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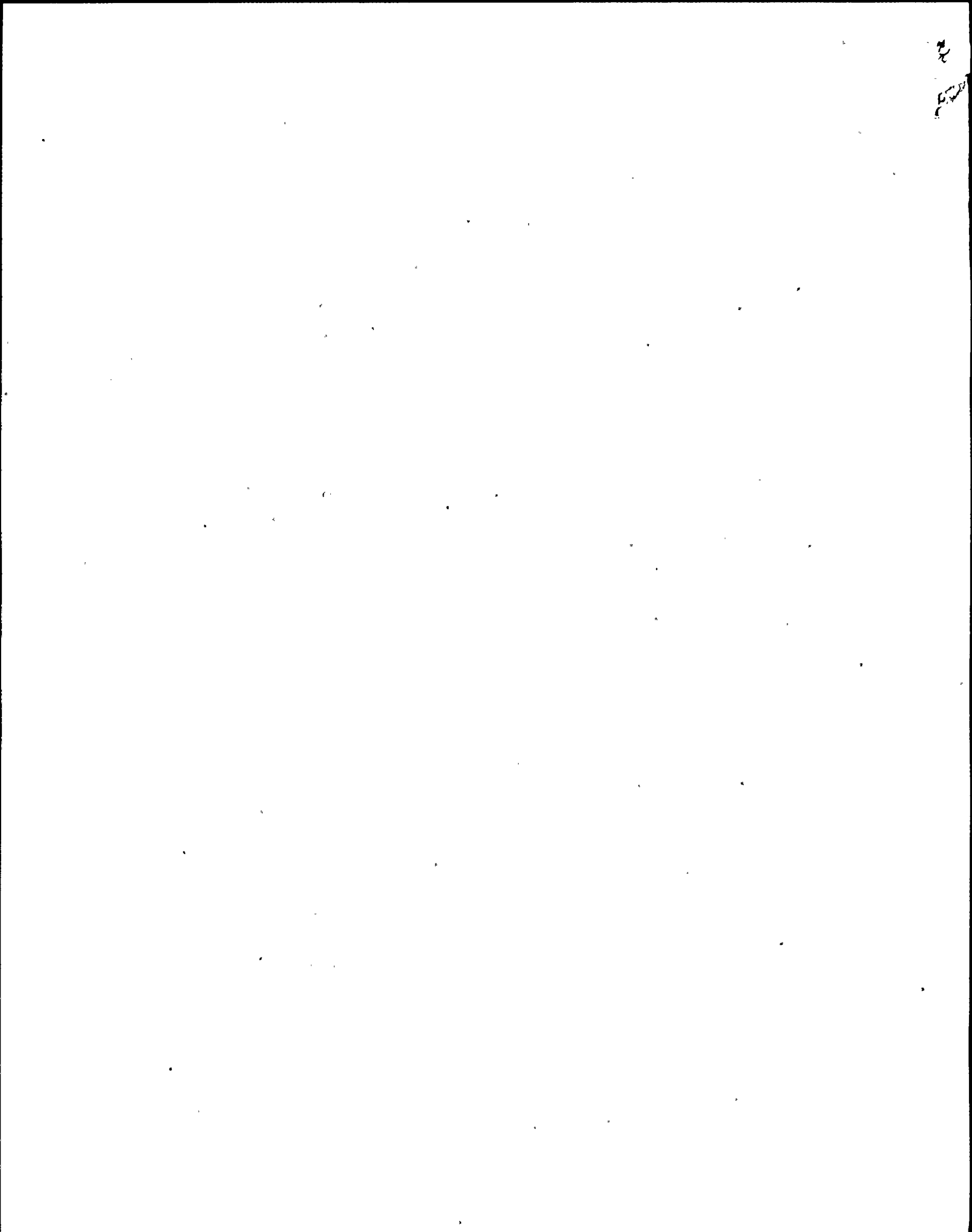
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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-397/98-301

Dear Mr. Parrish:

From November 2-6, 1998, an initial licensing examination inspection was conducted at your Washington Nuclear Project-2 reactor facility. The enclosed report presents the scope and results of that inspection.

The inspection included an evaluation of 4 applicants for reactor operator licenses and 8 applicants for senior operator licenses. We determined that all 12 of the applicants satisfied the requirements of 10 CFR Part 55 and the appropriate licenses have been issued.

While the submitted written examination was adequate, the operating test portion of the examination including the administrative portion, and the facility and control room systems walkthrough portion were inadequate for administration, as submitted. Required changes involved revision or replacement of follow up questions to job performance measures or administrative questions to conform to the guidance in NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards," Interim Revision 8.

These revisions were necessary to satisfy the NRC's individual test item expectations, consistent with the NRC's Examination Standards. We reviewed our specific concerns and recommendations with your staff and believe they now have a better understanding of the NRC's examination expectations. We commend your staff for their prompt and effective efforts to enhance the examinations with no adverse effect on the examination schedule. Consequently, no further response to address this matter is required.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR).

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



John L. Pellet, Chief
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50-397/98-301

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