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SUBJECT: Forwards exam rept 50-397/OL-93-01 administered on 930308-12. One of three senior reactor operators & one of six reactor operators failed written exams. Three areas of weakness, including 10CFR20 dose limits noted.

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Docket No. 50-397

Washington Public Power Supply System
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Attention: Mr. G. C. Sorenson
Manager, Regulatory Programs

Subject: NRC Operator Licensing Examinations at WNP-2

From March 8-12, 1993, the NRC administered examinations to nine employees of your company, who had applied for licenses to operate your Washington Public Power Supply System, Nuclear Unit 2 (WNP-2). Six Reactor Operator (RO) and three Senior Reactor Operator (SRO) candidates took these examinations.

One of the SRO candidates and one of the RO candidates failed their written examinations. All of the other applicants passed their examinations. The NRC will issue licenses to the applicants who passed their examinations after the Washington Public Power Supply System informs the NRC, in writing, that your phase II Emergency Operating Procedures (EOPs) have been fully implemented. This is based on our previous understanding which is documented in our letter to you dated, March 4, 1993.

As a result of reviewing the written examinations, the examiners identified three areas of weakness which WNP-2 management should be aware of. These weaknesses were in the following areas:

- 10 CFR Part 20 dose limits.
- Reactor Recirculation Control Instrumentation.
- Automatic starts of the Emergency Diesel Generators.

WNP-2 Training Staff was made aware of these areas of weakness and agreed to emphasize training in these areas.

At the conclusion of the examination the preliminary findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

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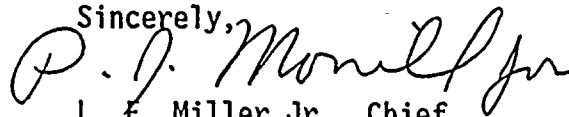
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Should you have any questions concerning this examination, please contact us.

Sincerely,



L. F. Miller Jr., Chief
Reactor Safety Branch

Enclosures:

1. Examination Report No. 50-397/OL-93-01
2. Written Examination and Answer Key (SRO and RO)
3. Facility Comments
4. NRC Resolution of Facility Comments
5. Simulation Facility Report

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