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John M. Griffin, Senior
Vice President - Energy Supply
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Dear Mr. Griffin:

On May 9, 1984, we transmitted to you our examination report for NRC examinations administered to your employees who had applied for licenses to operate the Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 2, facility. This report indicated that one-third of the reactor operator license candidates, and almost half of the senior reactor operator candidates, failed to score sufficiently high on the test to warrant the issuance of licenses to operate Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 2.

I am greatly concerned about this high failure rate, and how it reflects in your training program. My concern for the effectiveness of your training program in producing successful license candidates is not diminished by INPO accreditation of your program.

I request your personal involvement in an assessment of your training program. This assessment should identify the root cause of the high failure rates experienced, and result in specific steps to achieve correction and prevent recurrence. The generic comments given in our examination report provides some indication of areas of weak responses. This analysis is not, however, a complete evaluation, and it only identifies the weaknesses obvious in the answers to examination questions rather than the root causes for not providing correct answers. I further request that your assessment include consideration of your requalification program.

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I would appreciate an early response to this request which identifies your plans and schedule for conducting the requested assessment, and a projected date for discussion of the results with the NRC Region IV staff and me. I will be pleased to discuss this matter with you if you so desire.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
John T. Collins

John T. Collins
Regional Administrator

cc:

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