

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001 October 2, 1995

CAPT Robert L. Bumgarner, Director Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute Naval Medical Center National Capitol Region Bethesda, Maryland 20889

Dear CAPT. Bumgarner:

In a telephone conversation between Mr. Patrick J. Isaac and Mr. Mark Moore, arrangements were made for the administration of operator licensing examinations at the Armed Forces Radiobiological Research Institute reactor. The written and operating examinations are scheduled for the week of January 22, 1996.

In order for us to meet this schedule, please furnish the reference material listed in Enclosure 1, as applicable, "Reference Material for Reactor/Senior Reactor Operator Licensing Examinations" at least 60 days prior to the examination date to the following address:

ATTN: Patrick J. Isaac, Mail Stop 0-10 D-22 U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

You are responsible for providing adequate space and accommodations in order to properly conduct the written examinations. Enclosure 2, "Administration of Written Examinations," describes our process for conducting these examinations.

Enclosure 3 contains the Rules and Guidelines that will be in effect during the administration of the written examination. Please ensure that all applicants are aware of these rules.

Your review of the written examination will be conducted in accordance with the procedures specified in Enclosure 4, "Facility Review of Written Examinations."

Preliminary reactor operator and senior reactor operator license applications should be submitted at least 30 days before the first examination dates so that we will be able to review the training and experience of the candidates, process the medical certifications, and prepare final examiner assignments after applicant eligibility has been determined. Final signed applications certifying that all training has been completed must be submitted at least 14 days before the examination date in order to process the license application. If our review cannot be completed in time to make a determination of applicant eligibility, the candidate may not be permitted to sit for the examination. Therefore, it is recommended that license applications be provided as soon as possible to ensure an appropriate level of review.

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If you have any questions regarding the examination procedures and requirements, please contact me at (301) 415-1019, or E-mail pji@nrc.gov.

Sincerely.

Original signed by:

Patrick J. Isaac, Chief Examiner Operator Licensing Branch Division of Reactor Controls and Human Factors Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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Enclosures: 1.

Reference Material for Reactor/Senior

Reactor Operator Licensing Examinations

Administration of Written Examinations 2.

Procedures for Administration of 3.

Written Examinations

Facility Review of Written Examinations 4.

cc w/encls: Mr. Mark Moore, Armed Forces Radiobiological Research Institute

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