



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION IV
611 RYAN PLAZA DRIVE, SUITE 400
ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76011-8064

December 3, 1998

Mr. C. L. Terry
TU Electric
Group Vice President, Nuclear
ATTN: Regulatory Affairs Department
P.O. Box 1002
Glen Rose, Texas 76043

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-445/99-301, 50-446/99-301

Dear Mr. Terry:

In a telephone conversation on December 2, 1998, between Mr. S. Falley and Mr. T. Meadows, arrangements were made for the administration of licensing examinations at the Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station during the week of June 21, 1999.

The NRC will prepare the examinations based on the guidelines in Revision 8, of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors." The NRC regional office has discussed with your staff the necessity to have the supporting reference materials identified in Attachment 2 of ES-201 forwarded to the regional office no later than the week of January 4, 1999. In accordance with the guidelines in Attachment 5 of ES-201, your staff will be given the opportunity to review the examinations during the week of April 12, 1999 or at an earlier date, if so desired. Any delay in receiving the required reference materials may cause the examinations to be rescheduled. A validation of the final examination will be conducted at your facility the week of May 31, 1999.

In order to conduct the requested written examinations and operating tests, it will be necessary for your staff to provide adequate space and accommodations in accordance with ES-402, and to make the simulation facility available on the dates noted above. In accordance with ES-302, your staff should retain the original simulator performance data (e.g., system pressures, temperatures, and levels) generated during the dynamic operating tests until the examination results are final.

Appendix E of NUREG-1021 contains a number of NRC policies and guidelines that will be in effect while the written examinations and operating tests are being administered.

To permit timely NRC review and evaluation, your staff should submit preliminary reactor operator and senior reactor operator license applications (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval number 3150-0090), medical certifications (OMB approval number 3150-0024), and waiver requests (if any) (OMB approval number 3150-0090) at least 30 days before the first examination date. If the applications are not received at least 30 days before the examination date, a postponement may be necessary. Signed applications certifying that all training has been completed should be submitted at least 14 days before the first examination date.

This letter contains information collections that are subject to the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995* (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). These information collections were approved by the Office of Management and Budget, approval number 3150-0101, which expires on April 30, 2000.

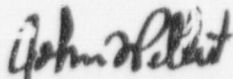
9812090038 981203
PDR ADOCK 05000445
V PDR

The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 7.7 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments on any aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Information and Records Management Branch (T-6 F33), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by Internet electronic mail at BJS1@NRC.GOV; and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0101), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

The NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Mr. S. Falley has been advised of the policies and guidelines referenced in this letter. If you have any questions regarding the NRC's examination procedures and guidelines, please contact Mr. Tom Meadows at (817) 860-8159, or Mr. John Pellet at (817)860-8159.

Sincerely,



John L. Pellet, Chief
Operations Branch
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos.: 50-445; 50-446
License Nos.: NPF-87; NPF-89

cc:

Mr. Roger D. Walker
TU Electric
Regulatory Affairs Manager
P.O. Box 1002
Glen Rose, Texas 76043

Juanita Ellis
President - CASE
1426 South Polk Street
Dallas, Texas 75224

TU Electric
Bethesda Licensing
3 Metro Center, Suite 610
Bethesda, Maryland 20814

TU Electric

-3-

George L. Edgar, Esq.
Morgan, Lewis & Bockius
1800 M. Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20036

G. R. Bynog, Program Manager/
Chief Inspector
Texas Department of Licensing & Regulation
Boiler Division
P.O. Box 12157, Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711

Honorable Dale McPherson
County Judge
P.O. Box 851
Glen Rose, Texas 76043

Texas Radiation Control Program Director
1100 West 49th Street
Austin, Texas 78756

John Howard, Director
Environmental and Natural Resources Policy
Office of the Governor
P.O. Box 12428
Austin, Texas 78711

M. Sunseri, Director
Nuclear Training
Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station
P.O. Box 1029
Granbury, Texas 76048

TU Electric

-4-

E-Mail report to T. Frye (TJF)
E-Mail report to D. Lange (DJL)
E-Mail report to NRR Event Tracking System (IPAS)
E-Mail report to Document Control Desk (DOCDESK)

bcc to DCD (IE01) (IE42)

bcc distrib. by RIV:

Regional Administrator	CP Resident Inspector (2)
DRS Director	DRS Deputy Director
DRP Director	DRS-PSB
Branch Chief (DRP/A)	MIS System
Project Engineer (DRP/A)	RIV File
Branch Chief (DRP/TSS)	
R. Gallo (NRR/HOLB)(MS: 9 D4)	
L. Hurley, Licensing Assistant, DRS/OB	

DOCUMENT NAME: R:_CP\CP9301LT.TRM

To receive copy of document, indicate in box: "C" = Copy without enclosures "E" = Copy with enclosures "N" = No copy

RIV:RE\OB	E	C:DRS\OB						
TRMeadows:cg		JLPellet						
12/7/98		12/3/98						

OFFICIAL RECORD COPY

TU Electric

-4-

E-Mail report to T. Frye (TJF)
E-Mail report to D. Lange (DJL)
E-Mail report to NRR Event Tracking System (IPAS)
E-Mail report to Document Control Desk (DOCDESK)

bcc to DCD (IE01) (IE42)

bcc distrib. by RIV:

Regional Administrator	CP Resident Inspector (2)
DRS Director	DRS Deputy Director
DRP Director	DRS-PSB
Branch Chief (DRP/A)	MIS System
Project Engineer (DRP/A)	RIV File
Branch Chief (DRP/TSS)	
R. Gallo (NRR/HOLB)(MS: 9 D4)	
L. Hurley, Licensing Assistant, DRS/OB	

DOCUMENT NAME: R:_CP\CP9301LT.TRM

To receive copy of document, indicate in box: "C" = Copy without enclosures "E" = Copy with enclosures "N" = No copy

RIV:RE\OB	E	C:DRS\OB	N						
TRMeadows:cg		JLPellet	am						
12/ /98		12/3/98							

OFFICIAL RECORD COPY

090004