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SUBJECT: NuScale Power, LLC Requests NRC Review of the NuScale Operator Exam Methodology and Learning Objective Based Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Catalog

- REFERENCES:**
1. NuScale Power, LLC Submittal of Carbon Free Power Project (CFPP), Combined License Application (COLA), Presentation Material, Entitled "Follow-up Discussion Regarding NuScale Operator Licensing Training Program Timeline," PM-121919, Revision 0 (ML22230D004)
 2. Preapplication Meeting with NuScale Power, LLC and Carbon Free Power Project (CFPP), LLC (ML22307A185)
 3. NuScale Power, LLC Submittal of Draft "Operator Licensing and Examination Standard for NuScale Small Modular Reactors" (ML20195A587)

NuScale Power, LLC (NuScale) conducted a public meeting with the NRC technical staff regarding the Operator Licensing Training Program timeline on August 31, 2022 (Reference 1). During this meeting, NuScale presented the key operator training program milestone dates, including the anticipated approval dates of the Learning Objective Based Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (LOB/KSA) Catalog and the Operator Exam Methodology. NuScale has requested a public meeting with the NRC technical staff on December 15, 2022, which will include discussion about the status and review timeline of these operator license path submittals (Reference 2).

The purpose of this letter is to formally request review of the LOB/KSA Catalog by the first quarter of 2025 and the Operator Exam Methodology by the first quarter of 2026. The LOB/KSA Catalog was put into the controlled reading room on September 10, 2020 (Draft SMR LOB K and A Section 1, Section 2) and will be updated in 2023 to reflect Standard Design Approval (SDA) US460 changes. During the December 15, 2022 meeting, NuScale will seek feedback from the staff on the logistics of updating the catalog and the review timeline. The Operator Exam Methodology was submitted on July 13, 2020 (Reference 3) and will not change with the SDA US460.

This letter makes no regulatory commitments and no revisions to any existing regulatory commitments.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Baughn at 541-452-7319 or at sbaughn@nuscalepower.com.

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