

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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February 2, 2024

Duke Energy Progress, Inc.
ATTN: Jerry Pierce
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SUBJECT: BRUNSWICK STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT- OPERATOR LICENSING

EXAMINATION APPROVAL 05000324/2024301 AND 05000325/2024301

Dear Jerry Pierce:

The purpose of this letter is to provide U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approval of the proposed written examination and operating test under Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 55.40(b)(4) and to confirm the final arrangements for the upcoming operator licensing examination at Brunswick Steam Electric Plant.

The NRC has approved the subject examinations, and you may administer the written examination on February 20, 2024, in accordance with Revision 12 to NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," issued September 2021. The NRC staff will administer the operating test during the week of February 12, 2024. The NRC has provided the list of applicants approved to take the examinations to your office. The examinations have undergone extensive review by my staff and representatives responsible for licensed operator training at your facility. Based on this review, I have concluded that the examinations meet the guidelines of NUREG-1021 for content, operational, and discrimination validity. By administering the written examination, you also agree that the examination(s) meet NUREG-1021 guidelines and are appropriate for measuring the qualifications of licensed operator applicants at your facility. If you determine that these examinations are not appropriate for licensing operators at your facility, do not administer the written examination and contact me at 404-997-4703.

Please contact your NRC Chief Examiner, Michael Kennard, at 404-997-4627, if you have questions or identify any errors or changes in the license level (reactor operator or senior reactor operator) or type of examination (partial or complete written examination or operating test, or both) specified for each applicant approved to take the examination(s).

Sincerely,

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Thomas A. Stephen, Chief Operations Branch 1 Division of Reactor Safety

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