

March 9, 2000

Mr. Mark L. Marchi
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Dear Mr. Marchi:

In a telephone conversation on March 3, 2000, between Mr. J. Brown and Mrs. A. M. Stone, arrangements were made for the administration of licensing examinations at the Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant the weeks of December 11 and 18, 2000. In addition, the NRC will make an examination validation visit to your facility the week of November 20, 2000.

As agreed during the telephone conversation, your staff 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 will discuss with your staff any changes that might be necessary before the examinations are administered.

To meet the above schedule, it will be necessary for your staff to furnish the examination outlines by September 4, 2000. The written examinations, operating tests, and the supporting reference materials identified in Attachment 2 of ES-201 will be due by October 2, 2000. Pursuant to 10 CFR 55.40(b)(3), an authorized representative of the facility licensee shall approve the outlines, examinations, and tests before they are submitted to the NRC for review and approval. All materials shall be complete and ready to use. Any delay in receiving the required examination and reference materials, or the submittal of inadequate or incomplete materials, may cause the examinations to be rescheduled.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Mr. J. Brown 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 Ann Marie Stone at 630-829-9729, or me at 630-829-9733.

Sincerely,

/RA/

David E. Hills, Chief
Operations Branch

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