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**Subject:** Nuclear Energy Institute, *Licensed Operator Training Cold Licensing Plan and Knowledge and Ability Catalog Revision Process* White Paper

**Project Number: 689**

Dear Mr. Junge:

The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI)<sup>1</sup>, on behalf of the nuclear energy industry, is pleased to submit the proposed *Licensed Operator Training Cold Licensing Plan and Knowledge and Ability (K&A) Catalog Revision Process* white paper for your review and comment.

On May 24, 2007, the industry discussed with your staff the new reactor training concepts captured in the enclosed plan and white paper. The industry agreed to develop white papers to put the concepts in writing and further discuss with the staff. We believe the enclosed plans provide a reasonable approach to the licensing of operators for new reactors and the development of the necessary K&A catalogs.

Once you and your staff have had an opportunity to review the enclosed documents, we would like to request a meeting as soon as practical to discuss your comments. We would like to come to a common understanding of the requirements with you before the industry begins submitting combined operating license applications to ensure consistency and to facilitate the review of the applications.

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<sup>1</sup> NEI is the organization responsible for establishing unified nuclear industry policy on matters affecting the nuclear energy industry, including the regulatory aspects of generic operational and technical issues. NEI's members include all utilities licensed to operate commercial nuclear power plants in the United States, nuclear plant designers, major architect/engineering firms, fuel fabrication facilities, materials licensees, and other organizations and individuals involved in the nuclear energy industry.

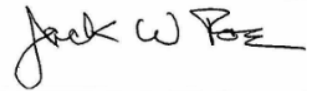
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If you have any questions regarding the above concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-739-8116; [jwr@nei.org](mailto:jwr@nei.org) or Chris Earls at 202-739-8078; [cee@nei.org](mailto:cee@nei.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jack W. Roe". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a stylized "R".

Jack W. Roe

Enclosures

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