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Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Units 1, 2, and 3
Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-33, DPR-52, and DPR-68
NRC Docket Nos. 50-259, 50-260, and 50-296

**Subject: Response to NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2011-04,
"Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations"**

- References:**
1. NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2011-04, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations," dated May 25, 2011
 2. Letter from TVA to NRC, "Response to NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2010-08, Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations," dated August 9, 2010

Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) Regulatory Issue Summary 2011-04 (Reference 1) requested specific information regarding the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant projected operator licensing examination schedules and the estimated number of applicants. The Enclosure to this letter addresses NRC's request and provides an estimate of the examination requirements for the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant on NRC Form 536, "Operator Licensing Examination Data." Please note that the information provided in the enclosure revises the information previously provided in Reference 2.

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There are no regulatory commitments associated with this submittal. If you have any questions related to this response, please contact David Malinowski at (256) 729-3439.

Respectfully,

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Enclosure: NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data

cc (Enclosure):

NRC Regional Administrator - Region II
NRC Senior Resident Inspector - Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant

ENCLOSURE

**NRC Form 536
Operator Licensing Examination Data**

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**OPERATOR LICENSING
EXAMINATION DATA**

Estimated burden per response to comply with this voluntary information collection request: 1 hour. This information collection is used to plan budgets and resources for operator examinations. Send comments regarding burden estimate to the Records and FOIA/Privacy Services Branch (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, or by internet e-mail to infocollects@nrc.gov, and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NE0B-10202, (3150-0131), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. If a means used to impose an information collection does not display a currently valid OMB control number, the NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, the information collection.

FACILITY

**Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant
50-259, 50-260, 50-296**

NRC REGION

NRC Region II

A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>13</u>	CY <u>14</u>	CY <u>15</u>	CY <u>16</u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	1	1	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>13</u>	CY <u>14</u>	CY <u>15</u>	CY <u>16</u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	5	4	8	8
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	2	2	0	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	5	4	2	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	06/03/2013	04/21/2014	04/06/2015	05/16/2016
ALTERNATE DATE	06/21/2011	05/21/2014	04/27/2015	06/06/2016

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>13</u>				CY <u>14</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	8