

July 17, 2003

MEMORANDUM TO: Brian E. Thomas, Acting Program Director
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Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, NRR

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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF MEETING WITH NUCLEAR ENERGY INSTITUTE (NEI) ON
OPERATOR LICENSING ISSUES

DATE & TIME: August 7, 2003
8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region II
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center, 24 T 20
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3415

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summaries and other background information.

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA FOR PUBLIC MEETING WITH NEI
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<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>LEAD</u>
● Introductions and Opening Remarks	NRC/N EI
● Public Input	Public
● Draft Revision 9 of NUREG-1021 - Written exam (SRO-only sample plan; upgrade waivers; split administration) - Walk-through test - Simulator test (SRO as RO/BOP; competencies/rating factors; grading non-critical errors) - LSRO exam proposed changes - Other	NRC/NEI
● Operator License Eligibility - Chief Reactor Watch vs. Engine Room Supervisor - NRC Form 398	NRC
● Generic Fundamentals Examination - Shelf life (options; grandfathering) - Exam Dates	NRC/NEI
● Requalification Program - IP 71111.11 changes (test item repetition) - Sharing examination results	NRC
● Simulator Rule Change Implementation	NRC
● Focus Group Issues - Consistency of significant power changes - Requalification cycle restrictiveness	NEI
● Public Questions and Answers	Public
● Summary / Conclusion / Action Item Review	NRC/NEI