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**PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
DOCKET NOS. 50-282 AND 50-306
LICENSE NOS. DPR-42 AND DPR-60
VOLUNTARY RESPONSE TO REGULATORY ISSUE SUMMARY 2003-14
PREPARATION AND SCHEDULING OF OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS**

NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2003-14, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations," requested that licensees submit, on a voluntary basis, an NRC Form 536, "Operator Licensing Examination Data." This form provides: A) Proposed Examination Preparation Schedule; B) Initial Operator License Examinations; and, C) Proposed Generic Fundamentals Examination Schedule. The purpose of these estimates is to assist the NRC in budgeting and scheduling the use of its resources.

To ensure the NRC Staff has accurate information related to future operator licensing examinations at Prairie Island, estimates for future examination needs have been completed. The attached NRC Form 536 provides the examination estimates for Prairie Island. This letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.

Please contact Tim McDonald (651-388-1165, ext. 4032) if you have any questions related to this letter.



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Attachment- NRC Form 536, "Operator Licensing Examination Data"

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ATTACHMENT 1

**NUCLEAR MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC
PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
DOCKET NOS 50-282 AND 50-306**

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**NRC FORM 536
OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATION DATA**

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**OPERATOR LICENSING
EXAMINATION DATA**

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DOCKETS 50-282/306 LICENSES DPR-42/60

NRC REGION III

A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY2004	CY2005	CY2006	CY2007
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS		1- RO 1- SRO		1-RO 1-SRO
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS				

B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY2004	CY2005	CY2006	CY2007
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS		10		7
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-INSTANT		3		3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-UPGRADE		3		4
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS-LIMITED		-----		-----
PROPOSED DATES	N/A		N/A	
PRIMARY DATE	N/A	08/01/05-08/12/05		03/26/07 - 04/06/07
ALTERNATE DATE	N/A	07/18/05-07/29/05		04/09/07 - 04/20/07

C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE) SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY2004				CY2005			
	March	June	September	December	March	June	September	December
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES		13						10