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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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ATTENTION: Document Control Desk

Subject: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC  
Oconee Nuclear Station, Units 1, 2, and 3  
Docket Nos. 50-269, 50-270, 50-287  
McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2  
Docket Nos. 50-369, 50-370  
Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2  
Docket Nos. 50-413, 50-414  
Response to NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2011-08  
Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations

On May 25, 2011, the NRC issued Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2011-08, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations." The subject RIS requested an update to the NRC on projected schedules for site-specific operator licensing examinations, as well as the estimated numbers of applicants planning to take operator licensing examinations and the NRC's generic fundamentals examinations (GFEs).

NRC Form 536, "Operator Licensing Examination Data" is attached as requested for Oconee, McGuire, and Catawba Nuclear Stations.

Please direct any questions to L. B. Jones at (704) 382-4753.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

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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](mailto:infocollects@nrc.gov), and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-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.

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## **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	2	2	2	2
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	5	4	5	4	5	4
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	4	5	3	4	3	4	3	4
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES								
PRIMARY DATE	6-10-13	12-09-13	6-09-14	12-08-14	6-08-15	12-17-15	6-13-16	12-05-16
ALTERNATE DATE	6-24-13	12-02-13	6-23-14	12-01-14	6-22-15	11-30-15	6-20-16	12-12-16

## **C. PROPOSED GENERIC FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION (GFE)**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY <u>13</u>				CY <u>14</u>			
	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	MARCH	JUNE	SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CANDIDATES	9				11			

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EXAMINATION DATA**

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McGuire Nuclear Station

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**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	8	9	9	8
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	1	1	2	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	4	5	5	5
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	08/05/2013	08/04/2014	07/27/2015	07/25/2016
ALTERNATE DATE	07/08/2013	08/11/2014	08/03/2015	08/01/2016

**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	10	0	0	0	11	0	0	0

**OPERATOR LICENSING  
EXAMINATION DATA**

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Catawba Nuclear Station	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	6	6	6	9
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	3	3	3	3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	3	3	6	3
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	06/24/2013	05/12/2014	03/30/2015	02/29/2016
ALTERNATE DATE	07/08/2013	05/19/2014	04/06/2015	03/07/2016

**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	12	0	0	0	9	0	0	0