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October 17, 2012

Mr. Joseph E. Pacher, Site Vice President
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1503 Lake Road
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**SUBJECT: INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING WRITTEN EXAM APPROVAL
(R. E. GINNA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNIT 1)**

Dear Mr. Pacher:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the final arrangements for the upcoming operator licensing written examinations at the R. E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1. Please note that operating test approval has been communicated under separate correspondence.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has completed its review of the operator license applications submitted in connection with this examination and separately provided a list of approved applicants to Mr. Mark Geckle, Manager, Nuclear Training. Note that any examination waivers and application denials have been addressed in separate correspondence.

The NRC has approved the subject written examinations in accordance with NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," Revision 9, Supplement 1. Your staff will administer the written examinations on October 18, 2012. This examination has undergone extensive review by my staff and representatives responsible for licensed operator training at your facility. Based on this review, I have concluded that the examination meets the guidelines of NUREG-1021 for content, operational, and discrimination validity. By administering this examination, you also agree that it meets NUREG-1021 guidelines, and is appropriate for measuring the qualifications of licensed operator applicants at your facility. If you determine that this written examination is not appropriate for licensing operators at your facility, do not administer the examination and contact me at (610) 337-5306.

Please contact your Chief Examiner, Mr. Peter Presby at (610) 337-5392, if you have any questions or identify any errors or changes in the license level Reactor Operator (RO) or Senior Reactor Operator (SRO) or type of examination (partial or complete written examination) specified for each applicant.

Sincerely,

Donald E. Jackson, Chief
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