



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
REGION II  
245 PEACHTREE CENTER AVENUE NE, SUITE 1200  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-1257

MAY 11 2012

Ms. Charlissa C. Smith  
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Dear Ms. Smith:

This letter is to inform you that your grade on the operating test taken the weeks of March 26, 2012, and April 9, 2012, in connection with your application for a senior reactor operator license for the Vogtle Electric Generating Plant, indicates that you did not pass the operating test. As a result, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) proposes to deny your application. Enclosed is a copy of the operating test results indicating those areas in which you exhibited deficiencies. A copy of the master answer key is also provided.

If you accept the proposed denial and decline to request either an informal NRC staff review or a hearing within 20 days as discussed below, this proposed denial will become a final denial. You may then reapply for a license in accordance with Title 10, Section 55.35, of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR 55.35), subject to the following conditions:

- a. Because this is your second examination failure, you will be required to retake both the written examination and the operating test.
- b. You may reapply for a license six months from the date of this letter.

If you do not accept the proposed denial, you may, within 20 days of the date of this letter, take one of the following actions:

- You may request an informal NRC staff review of the grading of your examination. Send your written request to the Director, Division of Inspection and Regional Support, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. If mailing via private courier (e.g., FedEx, UPS), instead of using the Washington, DC, address, mail your request to 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852. Your request must identify the portions of your examination that you believe were graded incorrectly or too severely. In addition, you must provide the basis, including supporting documentation (such as procedures, instructions, computer printouts, and chart traces), in as much detail as possible, to support your contention that certain of your responses were graded incorrectly or too severely.

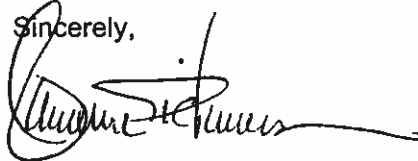
The NRC will review your contentions, reconsider your grading, and inform you of the results. If the proposed denial is sustained, you will have the opportunity to request a hearing pursuant to 10 CFR 2.103(b)(2) at that time.

- You may request a hearing pursuant to 10 CFR 2.103(b)(2). Submit your request, in writing, to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, with a copy to the Associate General Counsel for Hearings, Enforcement and Administration, Office of the General Counsel, at the same address. (Refer to 10 CFR 2.302 for additional filing options and instructions.) If mailing via private courier (e.g., FedEx, UPS), instead of using the Washington, DC, address, mail your request to 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 55.35, you may not reapply for a license until your license has been finally denied. Failure on your part to exercise either of the above options within 20 days constitutes a waiver of your opportunity for informal review and your right to demand a hearing. For the purpose of reapplication under 10 CFR 55.35, such a waiver renders this letter a notice of final denial of your application, effective as of the date of this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (404) 997-4450.

Sincerely,



Malcolm T. Widmann, Chief  
Operations Branch 1  
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket No. 55-23694

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Facility Plant Manager  
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