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Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant – Units 1&2  
Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant – Units 1&2  
Vogtle Electric Generating Plant – Units 1&2  
Vogtle Electric Generating Plant – Units 3&4  
SNC Response to Regulatory Issue Summary 2020-01:  
Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On February 19, 2020, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2020-01, "Preparation and Scheduling of Operator Licensing Examinations." RIS 2020-01 requests that licensees voluntarily submit projections of their site-specific operator licensing examination schedules as well as the estimated number of applicants planning to take operator licensing and generic fundamental examinations for years 2022-2025.

Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) hereby provides as enclosures to this letter the requested information on NRC form 536 for Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant – Units 1&2, Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant – Units 1&2, Vogtle Electric Generating Plant – Units 1&2, and Vogtle Electric Generating Plant – Units 3&4. The estimates provided represent SNC's current understanding, but are subject to possible change in the future. These enclosures supersede previous, similar RIS responses.

This letter contains no NRC commitments. If you have any questions, please contact Matt Euten at 205.992.7673.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Enclosures:

1. NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data for Joseph M. Farley  
Nuclear Plant – Units 1&2
2. NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data for Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear  
Plant – Units 1&2
3. NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data for Vogtle Electric  
Generating Plant – Units 1&2
4. NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data for Vogtle Electric  
Generating Plant – Units 3&4

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NRR Project Manager – Farley, Hatch, Vogtle 1&2  
Senior Resident Inspector – Farley, Hatch, Vogtle 1&2, Vogtle 3&4  
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Vogtle 3&4 RType: VND.LI.LOO  
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**Enclosure 1**

**NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data  
for Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant – Units 1&2**



## OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATION DATA

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## FACILITY

Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plants - Units 1 and 2

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### A. PROPOSED EXAMINATION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2022 <u>        </u>	CY 2023 <u>        </u>	CY 2024 <u>        </u>	CY 2025 <u>        </u>
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	0	1	0
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

### B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2022 <u>        </u>	CY 2023 <u>        </u>	CY 2024 <u>        </u>	CY 2025 <u>        </u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	8	0	8	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	8	0	8	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	2	0	2	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	12/5/22	N/A	6/10/24	N/A
ALTERNATE DATE	12/12/22	N/A	6/17/24	N/A

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**Enclosure 2**

**NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data  
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## FACILITY

EDWIN I. HATCH NUCLEAR PLANTS - UNITS 1&amp;2

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	1	0	1
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

### B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2022 <u>        </u>	CY 2023 <u>        </u>	CY 2024 <u>        </u>	CY 2025 <u>        </u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	0	8	0	8
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	0	8	0	8
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	0	2	0	2
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	N/A	11/27/2023	N/A	12/01/2025
ALTERNATE DATE	N/A	12/04/2023	N/A	12/08/2025

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**Enclosure 3**

**NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data  
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**FACILITY**

VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT - UNITS 1&amp;2

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	1	1	0
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

**B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2022 <u>        </u>	CY 2023 <u>        </u>	CY 2024 <u>        </u>	CY 2025 <u>        </u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	0	8	6	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	0	6	6	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	0	4	4	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	N/A	04/24/2023	10/21/2024	N/A
ALTERNATE DATE	N/A	05/22/2023	11/18/2024	N/A



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**Enclosure 4**

**NRC Form 536, Operator Licensing Examination Data  
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VOGTLE ELECTRIC GENERATING PLANT - UNITS 3&amp;4

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF LICENSEE-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	1	0	1	0
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF NRC-PREPARED EXAMINATIONS	0	0	0	0

## **B. INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSE EXAMINATIONS**

PROPOSED NUMBER	CY 2022 <u>        </u>	CY 2023 <u>        </u>	CY 2024 <u>        </u>	CY 2025 <u>        </u>
NUMBER OF REACTOR OPERATORS	9	0	6	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - INSTANT	5	0	4	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - UPGRADE	2	0	2	0
NUMBER OF SENIOR REACTOR OPERATORS - LIMITED	0	0	0	0
PROPOSED DATES				
PRIMARY DATE	03/21/2022	N/A	03/18/2024	N/A
ALTERNATE DATE	04/18/2022	N/A	04/15/2024	N/A