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March 25, 2020

Mr. John Dinelli, Site Vice President
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SUBJECT: ARKANSAS NUCLEAR ONE, UNIT 1 - NRC INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING
WRITTEN EXAMINATION APPROVAL AMENDED 05000313/2020301

Dear Mr. Dinelli:

The purpose of this letter is to amend the final arrangements for the upcoming operator licensing examinations at Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 1. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the originally approved dates could not be met.

The 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. R. Martin, Operations Training Superintendent. Note that any examination waivers and application denials have been addressed in separate correspondence.

The NRC has approved the subject examinations and hereby authorizes you to administer the written examination in accordance with NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," Revision 11, on April 2, 2020. The NRC staff will administer the operating tests once the Pandemic events have decreased enough for safe travel. A separate letter authorizing the administration of the operating test will be issued once it is safe and a date is agreed upon by the NRC and your staff. In consultation with the Operator Licensing and Human Factors Branch (IOLB) of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, the region and your staff have been authorized to exceed the 30-day deviation between the written exam administration and the operating test administration, if needed. This deviation may be needed due to cancellation of the operating test administration originally scheduled for March 30, 2020.

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 examination is not appropriate for licensing operators at your facility, do not administer the examination and contact me at 817-200-1159.

Please contact K. Clayton, chief examiner, at 817-200-1216, if you have any questions or identify any errors or changes in the license level (RO or SRO) or type of examination (partial or complete written examination and/or operating test) specified for each applicant approved to take the examination.

Sincerely,

Gregory E. Werner

Gregory E. Werner, Chief
Operations Branch
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket No. 05000313
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cc:
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