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REQUALIFICATION TRAINING PROGRAM STATISTICS

Description of Circumstances:

Because of the apparent failure of the operators at Three Mile Island to recognize certain plant conditions and take appropriate action to effectively cool the core and contain fission products after release from the core, the NRC Commissioners are evaluating licensee's requalification training programs. As one element in this evaluation, the NRC is interested in obtaining statistics about the failure rate on the annual requalification examinations. The information requested below along with other information will then be used to evaluate the effectiveness of the operator requalification training program.

Action to be Taken by Licensees:

For all power reactor facilities with an operating license.

- 1. Provide both the total number and percentage of operators who have failed the annual requalification examination.
- 2. Provide the percentage of those operators who take the annual requalification examination and are required to attend lectures on categories of material for which they received a grade of less than 80 percent. Also provide the total number of supplemental lectures attended (e.g., 3 operators had to attend 2 lectures, 1 operator had to attend 3 lectures, etc.).
- 3. Provide both the total number and percentage of operators under the requalification program that participated in accelerated training because they either scored less than 70 percent overall on the annual written examination or had an unsatisfactory performance on the oral examination.
- 4. Provide the same information required by 1 thru 3 on Senior Operators.

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5. Provide the above information from four annual examinations (written

and oral). If the requalification program has not been implemented for that period of time or records are not available, provide the maximum information that is available.

- 6. Record information in format shown in Table 1.
- 7. Within 14 calendar days of the date of issue of this Bulletin, report in writing to the Director of the appropriate Regional Office the results of your review. A copy of your report should be sent to the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Division of Project Management, Operator Licensing Branch, Washington, D.C. 20555.

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TABLE 1

Utility: Date:

Facility:

- 1. Action 1: Responses
 - A. Total number failed annual examination
 - B. Percent that failed annual examination
- 2. Action 2: Responses
 - A. Percent required to attend additional lectures
 - B. Number of operators attending specified number of lectures (no. of operators/no. of lectures)
- 3. Action 3: Responses
 - A. Total number attending accelerated training because <70 percent on annual written examination

- B. Percent attending accelerated training lesson because <70 percent on annual written examination
- C. Total number attending accelerated training because unsatisfactory oral examination

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D. Percent attending accelerated training because unsatisfactory oral examination

Date of Exam 1

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