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NRC STAFF TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING JULY 19 IN REGIONAL OFFICE TO DISCUSS QUAD CITIES EQUIPMENT FAILURE

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with Commonwealth Edison Co. officials on July 19 to discuss a failure in one of the Quad Cities Nuclear Power Plant's backup cooling systems that occurred during testing earlier this year. The plant is located in Cordova, Illinois.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will begin at 1:30 p.m. CDT in the NRC's Region III office, 801 Warrenville Road, in Lisle, Illinois. The meeting will cover the significance of the equipment failure and the utility's response to the problem.

During testing on January 19, a valve in the plant's safe shutdown make-up system failed to operate properly. The system's function is to provide cooling water to the reactor in the event the plant's other emergency reactor cooling systems are disabled by fire or other problems.

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