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NRC TO MEET WITH CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK TO DISCUSS SAFETY PERFORMANCE AT INDIAN POINT 2 NUCLEAR PLANT

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet with representatives of Consolidated Edison Company of New York on Wednesday, June 13, to discuss the results of the agency's annual assessment of safety performance at the Indian Point 2 nuclear power plant.

The meeting, which will be open to the public for observation, is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. in the Energy Education Center at the plant, located at Broadway and Bleakley Avenue in Buchanan, N.Y. NRC officials will be available afterwards to answer questions.

The performance period to be discussed is April 2, 2000, to March 31, 2001. In addition, Consolidated Edison representatives will discuss continuing performance improvement efforts, including, among other things, specific developments in the areas of corrective actions and employee concerns. Indian Point 2 is currently designated by the NRC as a facility with "multiple degraded cornerstones." (Cornerstones are measures of performance.) This designation is associated principally with performance problems identified during an August 1999 reactor trip with electrical distribution system complications and a February 2000 steam generator tube failure event.

A letter sent from NRC Region I to Consolidated Edison addresses plant performance during the period and will serve as the basis for the meeting discussion. It is available on the NRC web site at: <u>http://www.nrc.gov/OPA/ppr/ip2_eoc2001.pdf</u>

Current performance information for the Indian Point 2 plant is available on the NRC web site at: www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/IP2/ip2_chart.html

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